

Galatians 1:13 For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, **how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God**, and wasted it: **14** And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, **being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.**

Acts 9:4, 5 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest:** it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

Jonah 1:1 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, **2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me.** **3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD**, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.

Jonah 4:2 And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, **was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country?** Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art* a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.

Matthew 18:15 Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, **go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.** **16** But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. **17** And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. **18** Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. **Deuteronomy 19:15-21; Titus 3:10-11;**

Zealously Going The Wrong Way – Galatians 1:13, 14

1. Completely wrong way

- a. **Saul of Tarsus – Saul the Persecutor**
Philippians 3:6 Acts 8:3 Acts 9:4, 5 “ the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest”
- b. **Jonah the Prophet – hoped for the worse**
Jonah 1:1 “...But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD” **Jonah 4:2** “...*was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country?”

2. Needing Correct Directions

- a. **Simon the Sorcerer – Ministry for Money**
Acts 8:13 “Then Simon himself believed also” **Acts 8:18** “...Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money”
- b. **Judaizers – Circumcision and Rules**
Acts 15:1 “... Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.”
Acts 15:24 “ we gave no *such* commandment: “
- c. **Apollos – Salvation through Baptism**
Acts 18:24 “...expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.”

3. How To Coach the Incorrect

- a. **In MEEKNESS - 2 Timothy 2:24, 25**
“In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves...”
- b. **Speaking In the Truth in LOVE - Ephesians 4:15** But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, *even* Christ:
- c. **1st One to One - Matthew 18:15**
“...go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone”.
Deuteronomy 19:15-21; Titus 3:10-11;
- d. **Don't Be Mean, Just Don't Hang Out - 2 Thessalonians 3:14**
“...admonish *him* as a brother.”
- e. **You Goal is to Win Your Brother Back to Truth - Matthew 18:15**
“...if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother”

The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life; and he that winneth souls *is* wise. Proverbs 11:30