

A	<u>Area of Study:</u> Gal 1 <u>Reference Materials:</u> B1/ 1-10	
B	<u>Overview</u>	B1/1-5, NJBC 47:2-10
C	<u>St. Paul's Motivation behind the Letters to the Galatians</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A reaction against the Judaizers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ The legitimacy of Paul's apostolic authority (items e & f in this outline) ⇒ The errors in Judaizers' Gospels (BSP sessions 3& 4) 	
D	<u>Who were the Judaizers?</u>	B1/6, NJBC 47:8
E	<u>The Conversion of Paul</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One needs to understand Paul's conversion experience to confirm Paul's authority as one of Jesus' apostles. • As Jesus prays for his enemies, the dying prayer of St. Stephen sows the seeds for Saul's conversion. Similarly, Abel's blood has prefigured the blood of Jesus and the martyrs. • Paul experiences Jesus' death and resurrection in his three days of blindness • The Gospel preached by Paul is revealed to him by Jesus and is affirmed by Peter. 	Acts 7:54-8:3, 9:1-30 Gal 1:13-19 Acts :58-60, St. Augustine Sermons 315, Gen 4:11, Rev 6:9 Gal 1:11-12, 18 B1/7-8
F	<u>Paul's Affirmation of the Holy Tradition</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is only one Gospel which is unalterable. • The Gospel revealed by Jesus, passes down through the Apostles, includes teachings and epistles. • What is the definition of "Holy Tradition"? 	Gal 1:6-9 Gal 1:11-12, 2Pet 2:15, 2 Tim 2:2, B1/7-8 Dei Verbum 7-9 & St. Irenaeus (attached)
G	<u>Conclusion</u> From this chapter, you have learned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The early church was troubled by the Judaizers, who preached a different Gospel and misled believers into following the Law only and believing in justification by one's righteous actions. Similar cults also exist in today's Church. One can use the experiences and decisions of the early churches as a mirror. • The conversion of Paul The authentic Gospel is revealed by Jesus directly to the Apostles. It is then passed down by the Apostles or those who had direct contact with them either verbally or through their teachings and letters. It has been faithfully preserved in the Church through apostolic succession. We call the truth revealed by God and handed down to us in the said manner the "Holy Tradition". Therefore, the complete truth can be found only under the direction of the Church's Magisterium and interpretation of Scripture within the "Holy Tradition".	