Galatians Apostolic Foundations

1) The Role of an Apostle

'Paul, an apostle (not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised Him from the dead)' (Galatians 1:1) 'And this occurred because of false brethren secretly brought in (who came in by stealth to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage)' (Galatians 2:4) 'I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ' (Galatians 1:6-7) 'The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder...' (1 Peter 5:1)

'And God has appointed these in the church: <u>first</u> apostles, second prophets, third teachers...' (1 Cor.12:28)

'But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ' (Gal.1:11-12)

'But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus' (Gal. 1:15-17)

'Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother' (Gal.1:18-19) 'But from those who seemed to be something whatever they were, it makes no difference to me; God shows personal favoritism to no man for those who seemed to be something added nothing to me'

(Galatians 2:6)

'to whom we did not yield submission even
for an hour, that the truth of the gospel
might continue with you'
(Galatians 2:5)

'and when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that had been given to me, they gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised' (Galatians 2:9)

'For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ' (1 Cor. 3:9-11)