THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE   
   
   
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 GALATIANS.   
   
   
   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION. AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 I.' PAUL, an apostle,   
 (not of men, neither by I. 1 Pavz, an apostle, \*not from \*¥er11   
 man, but by Jesus Christ, men, neither by man, but by » Jesus Ddcts ts 0.8   
 and God the Father, who Christ, and God the Father, who 2: &   
 raised him from the dead ;) ‘raised him from the dead ; 1 Be   
 2and all the brethren 2 and cActsii26   
   
   
 Cuap. I. 1—5.] ADDRESS AND GREET- sion of Paul to the actual work of the   
 ing. In the very opening sentence of the ministry was by the command of the Holy   
 Epistle, we see the fervour of the Apostle’s Spirit, Acts xiii. from, and   
 mind and the weightiness of his subject expressing the will of, Father and the   
 betraying themselves. The vindication of Son. who raised Him from the dead]   
 his own apostolic calling,—and the de- Why specified here? Not, I think, because   
 scription of the work and purpose of (Meyer) Paul was called to be an Apostlo   
 Christ towards us, shew him to be writing by the risen Saviour,—nor merely to iden-   
 to those who had disparaged that apostle- tify. Father as the Originator of the   
 ship, and were falling from their Saviour. Son’s work of Redemption (which is so in   
 1.] It is better not. join the word Rom. iv. 24,—but here would not imme-   
 Apostle (here of course used in its strict diately concern Paul’s calling to be an   
 and highest sense) with from men, but Apostle),—nor to meet the objection that   
 to let it by itself, and take the two he had never seen Christ, and turn it into   
 prepositions as indicating, the remote an advantage, in that he alone was com-   
 originating cause, by the nearer instru- missioned by the already risen and as-   
 mental one. In St. Paul’s case, neither cended Jesus,—for in this case we should   
 of these was merely human: the Lord not find “who raised Him” stated as a   
 Jesus was both the original Sender, and predicate of the Father, but “which was   
 Himself the Announcer of the mission. vaised”’ as one of the Sou,—nor as assert-   
 and God the Father] If by Jesus ing the Resurrection against the Jews and   
 Christ, then alsp by God the Father, in Judaizing Galatians, which is far-fetched,   
 and by whose appointment all the media- —nor again as expressing an attribute of   
 torial acts of Christ in the Headship of the Father, without which He can hardly   
 His Church are done. The strongest pos- be thought of by the believer,—for this is   
 sible contrast is drawn between man, too loose a relevancy for a sentence so   
 in the ordinary sense, on the one side, and pointed as the present: but because the   
 Jesus Christ, and God the Father, on the Resurrection, including and implying the   
 other. Had not the Apostle regarded Ascension, was the Father’s bestowal on   
 Jesus Christ as one with the Father in the Christ of gifts for by virtue of which   
 Godhead, he never could have written thus. (Eph. iv. 11) St. Paul’s Apostleship had   
 It is important to remember that the mis- been received. See a similar sentiment in