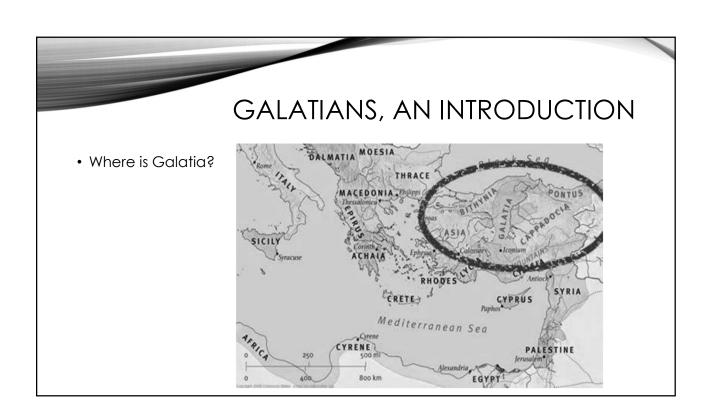


#### FIRST OF ALL, WELCOME BACK

- Do you remember anything at all from the Fall series?
  - If you are like me, almost everything from 2023 is gone from the memory banks
  - But let's dig a little deeper what do you recall from the Fall series?
    - What book did we study?
    - What were some of the themes you may remember?
    - More importantly, what did you do with it? What do you do with any of your readings, your studies, your conversations, your reflections?
      - How do you put things into action?

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- Who wrote Galatians?
  - Paul, in about A.D. 48
- Why did Paul write the letter to the Galatians?
  - To counter the message of missionaries (who turned out to be false teachers) who visited Galatia after he left
- What were they teaching that was false?
  - Specifically, they were saying the new believers had to be circumcised and keep the Law of Moses
  - In the New Covenant, since JC's death, people did not have to become Jews or follow the outward ceremonies of the Mosaic Law in order to be a Christian



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- 2.On Paul's second trip (51-54 A.D.), he and Silas visited them again **Acts 16:1-5**
- 3.On Paul's third trip (54-58 A.D.), he visited them yet again
- Acts 18:23

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