

What Is the Gospel?

The Good News of Jesus Christ

Key Scriptures: John 3:16 • Romans 3:23 • Romans 6:23 • 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 • 1 Peter 2:24 • Mark 1:15 • Ephesians 2:8-9 • John 14:6

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What is the Gospel? The word gospel means good news. But to understand why the Gospel is good news, we first need to understand mankind's problem.

Romans 3:23 says:

“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”

Sin separates mankind from a holy God, and sin brings death.

Romans 6:23 says:

“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

Mankind cannot solve the problem of sin by becoming good enough or doing enough good works. We need redemption.

John 3:16 says:

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, lived without sin and willingly gave His life for sinners.

First Corinthians 15:3-4 gives the heart of the Gospel:

“Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”

Christ died for our sins. He was buried. And He rose again. His death was not an accident; it was part of God's redemptive plan.

First Peter 2:24 says Jesus “his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree.”

Jesus Christ is alive. And the Gospel calls for a response.

Jesus said:

“Repent ye, and believe the gospel.” — Mark 1:15

Acts 20:21 describes this as “repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Salvation cannot be earned. Ephesians 2:8-9 says we are saved by grace through faith, “not of works, lest any man should boast.”

The Gospel is the good news of what God has done to redeem sinful mankind through Jesus Christ.

Jesus said:

“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” — John 14:6

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