

FOUNDATION CORNERSTONE

FCS1-1-01: The Good News of Jesus Christ - The Gospel



Gospel: (Greek 2098 - *1 Corinthians 15:1*) euaggelion yoo-ang-ghel'-ee-on from the same as 2097; **a good message**, i.e. the gospel:--gospel.

Gospel: (Greek 2097 - *Luke 7:22*) euaggelizo yoo-ang-ghel-id'-zo from 2095 and 32; **to announce good news** ("evangelize") especially the gospel:--**declare**, bring (declare, show) glad (good) tidings, **preach** (the gospel).

The word gospel as a noun means a good message. When used as a verb it means to announce good news. So the gospel of Jesus Christ is the good message of Jesus Christ. When one shares the gospel, they are announcing the good news of Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

The gospel that was taught in the New Testament and today is the life, blood, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

Why would somebody's death be good news? It is good news because Jesus died in the place of sinners. All people are sinners:

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

The wages (what we are owed) of sin is death.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mankind is unable to save themselves from the wages of their sin. Yet, God in His love towards man granted a way to escape this death of sin. Salvation from death is in Christ Jesus – the only begotten Son of God – who offered His life in the place of sinners.

1 John 4:10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Propitiation means that Jesus was an appeasement to God, that He was a pleasing and sufficient sacrifice. Jesus' death made peace between God and man, thus reconciling both together again.

Colossians 1:20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

Justification means that sinners who believe the gospel are declared in right standing (righteous) before God. They no longer stand in condemnation, but in grace.

Jesus died for the sins of all people and rose for their justification.



Romans 4:25 Who was delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification.

This is incredibly good news. Those who believe the gospel and follow it are declared in right standing before God.

John 3:15-17 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

16 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. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

There is only one saving gospel, and belief in this gospel is the power unto salvation. To reject this gospel is condemnation.

Belief:

Romans 1:15-16 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also. 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Rejection:

2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

If anyone teaches a different message than salvation through the life, blood, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the scripture states that that message is accursed.

Galatians 1:6-8 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: 7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the good news of salvation.



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Question 1

Which answer best describes the meaning of Gospel?

- The Gospel is the fact that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.
- The Gospel is A Prophet would die for the city to be free from the Romans.
- The Gospel simply means a good message.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)

Question 2

Which answer best describes the meaning of announcing good news?

- Sharing or preaching the Gospel.
- Understanding the Gospel.
- Hearing the Gospel for the 1st time.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)

Question 3

As described in 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, what are the core components of the gospel?

- Our faith in God and repentance of our sins.
- Our understanding of the name of Jesus the Christ.
- That Christ died for our sins; was buried, and rose again on the third day.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)

Question 4

As described in Romans 6:23, what the gift of God?

- Peace of mind.
- Eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Determined by which congregation a person attends.

Multiple choice (Unique answer)

Question 5

As described in 2 Thessalonians 1:8, Jesus is revealed from heaven in flaming fire to take vengeance on whom?

- Those that do not know God.
- Those that didn't join our church congregation.
- Those that did not obey the Gospel.
- Those that didn't give in the offering last Sunday.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)



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