## The Gospel

## What is the Gospel in a 15 or less words? 14 words

The person, work, and message of Jesus that provides salvation to all repentant believers.

## What is the Gospel in 50 or more words? 350 words

The Gospel is the person and work of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the Son of God and, while remaining fully-God, he became a man by being born of virgin women about 2000 years ago. He lived a perfect life in obedience to God. He never sinned but fulfilled God's holy law perfectly. About 33 years into His earthly life, he was arrested and tried for crimes He did not commit and sentenced to death by crucifixion. No one took His life from Him, He willingly went to the cross to be tortured and killed. It was God's plan that Jesus would die on the cross. And what happened on the cross is the most important thing in history. God the Father, placed the sins of the world upon His Son, and the Son willingly took the punishment for the sins of the world. Therefore, the Son received the punishment for sin that we deserve, and He died on the cross bearing the penalty for sin. Three days later He rose from the dead, just as He said He would. When He rose from the dead, it showed that His sacrificial death was accepted before God and that everything Jesus said and did was true. He then ascended into heaven, promising to return a second time, when He will complete the work He started. At His second coming, He will make all things new and judge all people; sending some to eternal life with God and others to eternal death under God's wrath. Jesus told his disciples to go and preach this message to the world, calling all men everywhere to repent (turn from their sins) and put their faith in the work He accomplished on the cross to pay the penalty due to their sins. When someone repents and places their trust in the person and work of Jesus Christ, God will forgive all their sins, adopt them as His child and give them eternal life. So repent, place your trust in Christ as your only means of forgiveness from God. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. (1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 1:1,14,18; Colossians 2:9; Luke 1:34-35; John 10:18; 1 John 2:2; John 1:29; Isa 53:5; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24; Acts 16:31; Romans 10:9; Romans 4:24-25; Romans 4:4-5; Romans 6:23; Acts 17:30)

For each section of Scripture below, answer the following questions:

- 1. What are the call or commands in this text?
- 2. Is anything being exchanged in this text, if so, what?
- 3. What is my or mankind's responsibility or work in this text?
- 4. What is God's work or actions in this text?
- 5. What words or phrases are used synonymously for the "gospel" in this text?

## Scripture Readings

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1 Corinthians 15 - Gospel Summary
Luke 24 - Commission / Repentance & Forgiveness in His name
Matthew 28 - Great Commission. Teaching all Christ commanded
Acts 2 - First Sermon
Colossians 1 - Gospel Power / Fruit
2 Corinthians 5 - Message of Reconciliation
Galatians 1-3 - Law/Gospel
1 Corinthians 1- 2 - Christ Crucified
Romans 3-5 - Theology of Justification