

# THE GLORIOUS GOSPEL

## #1 Good News

### 1. THE GOSPEL WAS GOD'S IDEA

1 Thessalonians 2:8 We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only **the gospel of God** but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.

#### A. Planned by God in eternity past

Revelation 13:8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb **that was slain from the creation of the world.**

Acts 4:27 Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. 28 **They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen.**

#### B. Promised by God in the OT Scriptures

Romans 1:1 Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— 2 **the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures...**

Galatians 3:8 **The Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith**, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you."

#### C. Revealed by God to the apostles in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century

Galatians 1:11 I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not something that man made up. 12 I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, **I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.**

### 2. THE GOSPEL IS GOD'S PLAN FOR RECONCILIATION

#### A. God and mankind are at odds because of mankind's sinful rebellion and God's holy wrath

Colossians 1:21 Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

Ephesians 2:3 All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

#### B. Despite man's sinful rebellion, God's love prompted Him to plan a way that they could be reconciled to Him

Romans 5:8 **But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

#### C. He crafted a marvelous plan to satisfy justice and reconcile mankind to Himself by sending a Savior-King

Romans 5:9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

### 3. THE GOSPEL IS PRIMARILY ABOUT A PERSON: JESUS CHRIST

Mark 1:1 The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

2 Timothy 2:8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel...

### 4. THE GOSPEL IS ULTIMATELY FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, **to bring you to God...**

2 Thessalonians 2:14 He called you to this through our gospel, **that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

### 5. THE GOSPEL MESSAGE HAS A FOCAL POINT: A CROSS

1 Corinthians 2:2 For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you **except Jesus Christ and him crucified.**

Galatians 6:14 May I never boast **except in the cross** of our Lord Jesus Christ...

## THE RESPONSE

John 3:36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power

Mark 1:15 "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!"

#### Memory Verse:

Rom 1:16 I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.

#### Bible Reading Plan

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