

THE GOSPEL IN GENESIS

Of First Importance Genesis 3 (ESV)

Genesis 3:1, 9-10, 15, 21, 24 ¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'..."⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"¹⁰ And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself..."¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel..."²¹ And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them..."²⁴He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim...

The Gospel Is The Story Of First Importance

1 Corinthians 15:3-6 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures,⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time...

The Gospel Was Given First In Genesis

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The Lamb Of God Is A Theme That Ties The Bible Together

1. The Lamb, As A **NECESSITY FOR WORSHIP** for all men

Genesis 4:3-5 In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground,⁴ and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,⁵ but for Cain and his offering he had no regard.

2. The Lamb Is **PROVIDED BY GOD** To Save One Life

Genesis 22:6-8 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"⁸ Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

3. The Lamb Is **SLAIN** To Save One Family

Exodus 12:3, 6, 22-23 Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household...⁶ and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight...²² Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning.²³ For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians, when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you.

4. The Lamb Is A **PERFECT SACRIFICE** To Save One Nation

Leviticus 16:5, 8-10, 15, 17 ⁵And he shall take from the congregation of the people of Israel two male goats for a sin offering...⁸ And Aaron shall cast lots over the two goats, one lot for the LORD and the other lot for Azazel.⁹ And Aaron shall present the goat on which the lot fell for the LORD and use it as a sin offering,¹⁰ but the goat on which the lot fell for Azazel shall be presented alive before the LORD to make atonement over it, that it may be sent away into the wilderness to Azazel...¹⁵ "Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering that is for the people and bring its blood inside the veil and do with its blood as he did with the blood of the bull..."¹⁷ until he comes out and has made atonement for himself and for his house and for all the assembly of Israel...

Leviticus 22:21 And when anyone offers a sacrifice...to be accepted it must be perfect; there shall be no blemish in it.

5. The Lamb Is A **PERSON** Sacrificed For Many People

Isaiah 53:6-7 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.⁷ He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

6. The Lamb Is Identified **AS JESUS** Sacrificed For The Whole World

John 1:29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

7. The Lamb Jesus Is The **PROMISED CHIRST SON OF GOD** Sacrificed For Whosoever

Acts 8:37 (NKJV) Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

8. The Lamb Jesus is **ALIVE, RESURRECTED FROM THE DEAD,** Sacrificed And Risen For All History.

1 Peter 1:18-21 knowing that you were ransomed...not with perishable things such as silver or gold,¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.²⁰ He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you²¹ who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

9. The Lamb Jesus Is **ENTHRONED** For The Universe

Revelation 5:6, 8 Between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth...⁸ And when he had taken the scroll...

10. The Lamb Jesus Is **KING OF KINGS** For All Eternity

Revelation 22:1, 3-5 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb...³...the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him.⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.⁵ And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.