

## #1 The Gospel!

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (ESV)

- 1. The Gospel is for both <u>BELIEVERS</u> and unbelievers <u>1 Corinthians 15:1</u> Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you...
- 2. The Gospel is <u>NEWS</u> to be proclaimed and received <u>1 Corinthians 15:1</u> Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand...
- 3. The Gospel has the power to <u>SAVE</u> people <u>1 Corinthians 15:1</u> Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved-
- 4. The Gospel only saves those who hold fast to it with persevering **FAITH**

<u>1 Corinthians 15:2</u> ... and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

5. The Gospel is not MAN-MADE

1 Corinthians 15:3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received...

## 6. The Gospel consists of news about **HISTORICAL EVENTS**

<u>1 Corinthians 15:3</u> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

- A) The gospel was planned "in accordance with the scriptures"
- B) The gospel events were verifiable by eyewitnesses
- C) The gospel events contain deep significance "for our sins"

## 7. The Gospel reveals God's **GRACE** and applies it to sinful people—even God-haters

<u>1 Corinthians 15:9</u> For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Do you believe the Gospel?
Is the Gospel of first importance to you?
Is it your Main Thing?

Bible Reading			
	Sun.: Neh. 12	Mon. : Neh. 13	Tues: Esther 1
☐ Wed.: Esther 2 ☐ Thurs.: Esther 3			
	Fri.: Esther 4	☐ Sat.: Esther 5	☐ Sun.: Esther 6