

THE GOSPEL

The **accuracy** of the gospel message is crucial. All of eternity is at stake! Look up the following scriptures to learn about the true gospel message:

1. According to Romans 1:16 why is the gospel important?
2. Paul wrote a letter to the Corinthians in which he states the basic truths of the gospel. Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 carefully. Reread 1 Cor. 15:3-5 and circle the word **that**. Now list each of the four points following **that** in the text. (*Be sure to note what points A and C are according to.*)

A

B

C

D
3. Look carefully at your list above. Note the two main points of the gospel, and how points B and D support or prove the main points.
4. Now read Luke 24:44-48 and observe the **main points** of the gospel in these verses. Note who is speaking. What phrase does He repeat in verses 44 and 46, and how does this compare with 1 Corinthians 15:3-5?
5. According to Luke 24:47, what **additional key point** is part of the gospel message?
6. Compare the passage in Luke with Acts 17:30-31 and Acts 26:19-20.
7. What does Paul call the gospel in Acts 20:24? Compare this with Ephesians 2:8-9. What are you saved by? What are you not saved by?
8. Read Romans 3:23-24 and 6:23. What do you learn about sin and eternal life?
9. Compare the passages in Romans with Matthew 25:46 and Revelation 20:13-15.
10. Read Romans 5:8-9 and John 3:16-18 to see what God did for us, when, and why.
11. Finally, read Romans 10:9-13 and Ephesians 1:7, 13-14 to find out what one must do to be saved, and what happens next.

I am not ashamed of **The Gospel,
for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes,
to the Jew first and also to the Greek**

Romans 1:16

[A quick summary of The Gospel:](#)

When Adam and Eve sinned in the garden of Eden by disobeying God they began to die physically but immediately died spiritually. (Genesis 2:15-3:24) Ever since then every single human being who has ever lived has been born spiritually dead and sinful.

Contrary to what some people believe, it is impossible to be good enough to ever make yourself righteous or spiritually alive, and because God is perfectly just He cannot ignore our sin.

Therefore, every single human being that has ever lived is hopelessly lost and deserving of eternal punishment.

But, because of God's infinite love, He provided **a remedy**- a way out- for all people. His solution was to send His only Son, Jesus Christ, to earth.

Jesus came to take upon Himself the guilt, shame, and punishment each one of us deserves. That is why Jesus was crucified on a cruel Roman cross and why, as He was dying, He cried out "It is finished."

He meant that the sacrifice had been made and the price had been paid for all those who repent (turn away) from their sin and believe on His Name—for all those who receive His payment for their sins and His offer of forgiveness.

On the third day Jesus arose from the grave, victorious over sin and death. After appearing to His disciples and many others, He went back to heaven with the Father.

He then sent His Holy Spirit to come and live with those who believe in Him so that they could become spiritually alive and have power over sin for the rest of their lives.

One day He is coming again to take all His children- those who have believed in His Name and been made spiritually alive through His Spirit - back with Him forever.

The Gospel in God's Word:

- As it is written: There is no one righteous, not even one (*Romans 3:10*)
- for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (*Romans 3:23*)
- God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (*Romans 5:8*)
- The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord (*Romans 6:23*)
- These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life (*Matthew 25:46*) (*This is the second death, the Lake of Fire—Revelation 20:13-15*)
- If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved (*Romans 10:9*)
- For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved (*Romans 10:13*)
- And now I want to remind you, my friends, of the Good News—the Gospel—which I preached to you which you received and in which your faith stands firm. You are saved by the gospel if you hold firmly to it... that Christ died for our sins, as written in the Scriptures, that He was buried, and that He was raised to life three days later, as written in the Scriptures, that He appeared to Peter and then to all twelve apostles. Then He appeared to more than five hundred of His followers at once (*1 Corinthians 15:1-6*)
- All the prophets bear witness that through His Name (Jesus) everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins (*Acts 10:43*)
- Repent and believe the gospel! (*Mark 1:15*)
- I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in Me (Jesus) will live, even if he dies, and everyone who believes in Me will never die (*John 11:25-26*)
- Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved (*Acts 16:30*)
- I have spoken these things to you so that in Me (Jesus) you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take courage; I have overcome the world! (*John 16:33*)

Dear Jesus, I know that I am a hell-deserving sinner and that there is nothing I can do to save myself or earn my salvation. I believe that you are the Son of God, the Savior who died in my place, that you were buried and resurrected three days later. I know you shed your blood on the cross to pay for my sins. I now believe upon you as my personal Savior; I accept your payment for my sins and receive your offer of forgiveness. I repent and ask you to please forgive me of all my sins and rule and reign in my life from this day forward. Please save me and take me to Heaven when I die. Thank you for dying for me and saving me from eternal death and giving me eternal life. Amen.