



*“Seek the LORD while He may be found...”
Isaiah 55:6*



WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?



“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

I Corinthians 15:3-4

The Character Of God: God Is Holy and Just

Habbakuk 1:13 “Your eyes are too pure to approve evil; and you cannot look on wickedness with favor.”

Psalm 7:11-12 “God is a righteous judge, and a God who has indignation everyday. If a man does not repent He will sharpen His sword; He has bent his bow and made it ready.”

God, our Creator, is set apart from everything else. He is totally separated from all sin and corruption and cannot tolerate evil. And because He is perfectly just and righteous, He will deal decisively with ALL evil.

The Bad News: Man Is Sinful

Romans 3:23: “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

How many of us use our mouths to lie or gossip? How many of us look at or think of others lustfully? As God's creatures, we defy his will for our lives and demand to go our own way. Apart from God, no one has the intention nor the ability to do good. None of our good acts can change the fact that they are still like filthy rags before God. The wages of our sin is death, where all chances to change our fate end.

God's Judgement Against Sin/ Man's Condemnation

Romans 2:8-9 “...but for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil...”

Sin is a very serious offense to God. As sinners we will stand before God to give an account and we will have no explanations and no excuses! This dreadful judgement is eternal. We are all sinners deserving of hell for our sin against a holy God. Who will save you?

The Good News: Jesus Christ, the Saviour

1John 4:8-10 “...God is love...In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.”

*a propitiation is a sacrifice which satisfies God's wrath

Romans 4:25 “...he was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.”

God has provided only ONE way to save us...Jesus Christ. Jesus came and lived a perfect life, took our punishment on Himself, died in our place for our sins securing forgiveness for us. On the third day He rose from the dead. And just as He took our sin to be counted as His own, He also gave us His righteousness to be counted as our own. We who deserve God's condemnation receive his pardon and justification through Jesus Christ.

Man's Response: Faith and Repentance

Psalm 51:3-4 “For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only I have sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that You are justified when you speak and blameless in your sight.”

Galatians 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

We receive pardon through faith in Jesus. For all who believe in Him (i.e accept all that God reveals Him in the Bible to be), their sins are forgiven. Repentance begins with a recognition and confession that what God says about us is true...we have sinned! A genuine recognition of our sinfulness leads to genuine sorrow and hatred for our sin which leads us to turn away from it.

Come! *Romans 10:13- “For everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.*