

12. Do you understand the gospel well enough to present it to others?
13. Can you easily turn in your Bible to find four or five appropriate verses that would explain the gospel clearly to others?
14. In your sharing the gospel with others, have some elements been missing? What would make your proclamation of the gospel more effective?
15. How can we pray for each other this week?

Quotes to Ponder

To the question, "What must I do to be saved?" we must learn the correct answer. To fail here is not to gamble with our souls; it is to guarantee eternal banishment from the face of God. Here we must be right or be finally lost.

A. W. Tozer

Authentic faith, given by God, includes knowledge of the gospel's great historical facts, an assent to the truthfulness of them, and a trust in Christ who accomplishes them. Is not this the faith that saves?

S. Lewis Johnson

Paul doesn't mean: Just believe that God raised Jesus from the dead but you don't have to confess He's Lord with the mouth; and he does not mean you must confess Jesus is Lord but you don't have to believe in your heart. No. The point is: The mouth confesses what the heart believes, and what the heart believes when it believes that God raised Jesus from the dead, is that Jesus is Lord!

John Piper

The gospel is news about what God has already done for you, rather than instruction and advice about what you are to do for God... In other religions, god reveals to us how we can find or achieve salvation. In Christianity, God achieves salvation for us. The gospel brings news primarily, rather than instruction.

Timothy Keller



Message #70: Thankful for the Gospel

November 8, 2015

Sermon
Notes

1. What in the text or sermon impacted you most? What encouraged you? Convicted you? Confused you?

2. Define/explain *the Gospel* in one minute or less.

3. What does it mean to *confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord* (*Romans 10:9; 1 Corinthians 12:3; 16:22; 2 Corinthians 9:13; 1 Timothy 6:12-13*)?

4. What does it mean to *believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead* (*John 1:12; 3:16; Acts 16:31; Romans 4:24; 10:9; 1 John 3:23*)?

5. Why is the resurrection of Jesus so important?

Romans 8:11 —

Colossians 2:12-14 —

1 Corinthians 15:12-14 —

1 Thessalonians 1:10 —

Ephesians 1:20-23 —

6. Compare Paul's giving of the gospel in *Romans 10:9-10* and *1 Corinthians 15:1-5*. What differences do you find? Are both accounts the gospel?

Is Jesus' death part of the gospel? If so, why doesn't Paul mention it in *Romans 10:9-10*?

7. Why does *Romans 10:9* list confession first while *Romans 10:10* lists believing first?

8. Can one be saved if he only confesses? If he only believes? Explain.

9. What are the results of believing and confessing (*Romans 10:9-10*)?

10. What does *saved/salvation* mean in *Romans 10:9-10*?

11. What does *resulting in righteousness* mean (*Romans 10:10*)?