What Is the Gospel? June 27, 2021 – 1 Cor. 15:1-4 Pastor Jon Pickens



What Is the Gospel?

- The Gospel is a <u>message</u> of God's gracious work of <u>redemption</u> through His Son, Jesus Christ.
 - a. Bad News: Every person is a sinner by <u>nature</u> and choice and therefore are <u>separated</u> from a Holy God and stand <u>condemned</u>.
 - b. Good News: God graciously sent His Son, Jesus, into the world to break sin's <u>curse</u> by making <u>payment</u> for our sin upon a cross and rising from the dead, thus making <u>peace</u> between man and God possible and giving eternal life to those who <u>repent</u> of their sin and <u>believe</u> in the person and work of Jesus Christ.
- 2. The Gospel has the power to **rescue** the soul from **death**.

- a. It is a message that followers of Jesus **believe**.
 - i. Faith and repentance are **inseparable**.
- 3. The Gospel **realigns** our lives so that we **reflect** the Glory of Christ to those around us.
 - a. It is a message that followers of Jesus **<u>embody</u>**.

Questions

- 1. What makes the message of the Gospel unique from any other message in the world?
- 2. What is the difference between seeing the Gospel as transactional as opposed to being transformational?
- 3. The New Testament often uses language that points the reader to look at the sufferings and death of Jesus. Why is this so critical for the Christian to do?
- 4. What values did Jesus Christ demonstrate through His death? How can those values help you realign your own attitude or actions?
- 5. What was your biggest take-a-way from the message this morning?

Next Steps: June Reading Plan (Week 4)

Day One: Matthew 3-4 Day Two: Matthew 5 Day Three: Matthew 6 Day Four: Matthew 7 Day Five: Matthew 8

The Gospel

The Gospel is the message of God's gracious work of redemption through His Son, Jesus Christ, which has the power to rescue our soul from death and realign our lives so that we reflect the glory of Christ to those around us.

June Scripture Memory:

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10In 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. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

-1 John 4:7-11 (ESV)

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