

# The Gospel Of Christ

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The word “gospel” means “good news.” The gospel is good news because by it all men can be saved. After His death, burial, and resurrection, Jesus sent His disciples “into all the world” to teach people everywhere to believe the gospel and be baptized into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16). Please, consider five reasons why the gospel is good news.

- 1) No doubt exists that the gospel is directed to me personally. Proof of this point is offered from the very familiar text of John 3:16, which says, “For God so loved *the world*, that He gave His only begotten Son, that *whosoever* believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life” (emphasis added). Truly, the gospel is for all! (See Luke 14:15-24 for an interesting Bible reading on this subject).
- 2) The gospel is the remedy for sin. Peter wrote, “For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit” (1 Peter 3:18). The gospel is the “power of God unto salvation” (Romans 1:16).
- 3) The gospel may be understood by reading the Bible. Paul wrote, “Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ, Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ by the gospel” (Ephesians 3:4-6).
- 4) The gospel is permanent. John referred to it as “the everlasting gospel” in Revelation 14:6.
- 5) The gospel is the standard by which all people living today will be judged. Paul spoke of the Day of Judgment employing a standard when he said, “In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel” (Romans 2:16). The reason that is good news is now we know how to live in order to receive a favorable outcome when we stand before God in the judgment.