

The Gospel: It's Good News

Proclamation Life Groups; John 3:16-18; Week of Sunday, October 16, 2016; Steve Thiel

The good news of the gospel is that our holy and loving creator God made a way for sinful man to be delivered from judgment through the payment of another. Salvation is only available in Jesus, but it demands a response of repentance and faith.

I. Our Perfect Creator God – Read Genesis 1:26-31

- A. What is the significance that God created us in His image and gave us commands?
- B. What does it mean for God to be holy, righteous, good and loving (1 John 4:7-10)?

II. The Reality of Fallen Man – Read Romans 5:12 and Romans 3:9-20

- A. What is the problem? What percentage of the population is affected by this problem?
- B. From Romans 3:9-20, list all the different ways in which sin has affected us.
- C. Read Romans 6:23. What is the penalty for sin? What is our only hope?

III. Our Savior Jesus Christ – Read John 3:16-18

- A. What motivated God the Father to send His Son? Why was Jesus sent into the world?
- B. Read 2 Corinthians 5:21. How does Jesus help us with our sin problem?
- C. Read John 14:6 and Acts 4:12. How do these help us understand the exclusivity of Jesus?

IV. Response of Saving Faith – Read Ephesians 2:8-10 John 3:16-18

- A. How must we respond to be saved?
- B. Read John 3:16-18. What are the two ways to respond to Jesus?
- C. Read Acts 2:36-39. According to Peter, how should people respond to be saved?

V. Application Questions

- A. How do these passages influence what we share with people?
- B. How does Romans 1:16 and 10:14-17 influence what we do as a church?
- C. In what areas do you need to grow in regard to gospel clarity?