

2 Gospel Perspectives - the Power & Purpose

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Ps 40:9; Ro 1:16-17; 1 Cor 15; 1 Pet 2:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-19

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The Gospel - *Hail the incarnate Deity...pleased with us in flesh to dwell*

- God himself has come to rescue and restore creation in and through the work of Jesus Christ on our behalf.
- GOOD NEWS: Ps 40:9; Luke 2:10-11
- The Gospel is GOOD NEWS, not just good advice
- The Gospel is Good News announcing that we've been saved

Why does creation (us) need rescuing?

- because of SIN!
- Sin is living for my fame & glory instead of God's
- The Gospel is good news only to those who understand God's Story... the True Story Rom 1:16-17; 1 Cor 15:1-11

Two Gospel Perspectives:

Warp & Weft

- **Gospel Power** - thematically Eph 2:8-9; Col 1:27-29; 2:6-7
 - **God**—eternal, all powerful, creator of everything
 - **Sin**—humanity has all chosen self-rule over submission, in relationship, to God; the penalty for sin is death
 - **Jesus**—God incarnate came to die as a substitute for the penalty of humanity's sins
 - **Faith**—by faith in what Jesus did, not by any effort of our own, we are saved from our sins
- **Gospel Purpose** – the Gospel as a Story Eph 2:10; 2 Cor 5:15-21
Creation → Fall → Redemption → Restoration

The Gospel is God's PLAN for the world, for us: 1 Pet 2:9-12

- Jesus came to serve God the Father as part of His plan...
- We are called to serve God as part of His plan...
- Timothy was willing to sacrifice Act 16:1-3
- How are you being called to serve? What are the Gospel implications for your life? What does that look like?

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