

**Grasping the Personal Importance of ...
KNOWING AND BELIEVING THE GOSPEL Pt. 2**

- A. The IMPORTANCE of the GOSPEL ... “Why Is the Gospel So Important?”**
- B. The CLARITY of the GOSPEL ... “Why is the Accuracy of the Gospel So Necessary?”**
- C. The MEANING of the GOSPEL. (Romans 15:18-20)**
- D. The EMPHASIS of the GOSPEL. (1 Corinthians 2:1-5)**
- E. The DIRECTION of the GOSPEL. (1 Thessalonians 2:1-8)**
- F. The NATURE of the GOSPEL. (Galatians 1:6-12)**
- G. The CONTENT of the GOSPEL. (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)**
1. The Gospel centers in a *specific person*... who is _____ - God who became a man; the one mediator between God and man.
 2. The Gospel centers in a *specific work* ... namely that Christ _____ and _____.
 3. The Gospel centers in a *specific accomplishment* ... namely that “Christ died _____”.
 - What is assumed by this phrase that clarifies the context of the Gospel?
 - What exactly is being explained when the Gospel is preached?
- H. The EVIDENCES of the GOSPEL. (1 Corinthians 15:3-11)**
1. The Gospel is _____. (15:3-4)
 - Where in the OT is Christ’s death predicted? Where in the OT is Christ’s resurrection predicted?
 2. The Gospel is _____ and _____. (15:5-8)
 - What is significant about this?
 3. The Gospel is _____. (15:9-11)
 - What does this confirm?
- I. The ONLY RIGHT RESPONSE to the GOSPEL.**
1. The sole and singular condition for your eternal salvation is _____ alone in _____ alone and His _____ alone. (Acts 16:30-31; Rom.1:16; 3:21-25, 28)
 2. God’s gift of eternal salvation is not obtained or maintained by your _____
_____. (Romans 4:1-5, 5:1; Gal.2:16, 21; Ephesians 2:8-9)

3. Modern-day confusion that garbles the Gospel of grace and its only right response are such conditions as ...
- a. believe and _____. (1 Cor.1:17-18) Clarification: Water baptism is only for those who have been _____ by God's _____ through _____ in Christ alone and acts as a means of _____ of the Gospel one has already believed. (Acts 8:35-39; 18:8)
 - b. believe and _____/_____. (Titus 3:5) Clarification: While God desires all believers to live a holy life as a _____ of being saved, it is not the means of obtaining or maintaining salvation; otherwise, salvation would not be by _____ alone but by our _____. (1 Peter 1:3-5, 13-19)
 - c. believe and _____. (John 3:18; 2 Peter 3:9) Clarification: The issue at salvation is not repenting of your sins but _____ about the _____ who died for your sins so as to trust in His finished work alone. Repentance from sin does have a place _____ in the believer's life as part of the _____ process. (2 Cor.7:8-11; 1 John 1:5-10)
 - d. believe and _____. Clarification: _____ in Scripture are we told to ask / invite Jesus Christ into our hearts for He _____ comes in the moment we trust in Christ alone as presented in the Gospel. To ask Jesus into your heart _____ the Gospel as you do not ask for a free gift. (John 1:12; Gal.4:6; Col.1:27; Gal.2:20)
 - e. believe and _____. Clarification: While one may _____ their faith in Christ via prayer, one is _____ saved through praying, though a prayer of _____ is certainly appropriate _____ one is saved. Thus, there is no _____ in Scripture to follow in leading someone in prayer to be saved, nor do we find _____ the sample 'sinner's prayer' to be prayed. A sinner must come to _____, not the front of a church. (Matt.11:28; John 6:35-37)
 - f. believe and _____. Clarification: While a sinner MUST believe on the Lord [God] Jesus Christ to be saved, it is not a matter of surrendering or submitting to Christ's Lordship in EXCHANGE for salvation for then salvation would be a REWARD, not a gift. Instead it was CHRIST'S submission to God's will that took Him to the cross to die for their sins that saves a sinner. Yet AFTER salvation, God wants all believers to YIELD / PRESENT themselves to God as a RESULT of His mercies to them. (Rom.12:1-2)

J. The RESULTS of the GOSPEL.

- What is a sampling of the spiritual blessings that become yours the moment you trust in Christ alone as presented in the Gospel?
- How does all of this apply to you?