

Introduction

- I. I have good news this morning and better (or the best) news.
- II. We need to hear God's truth about sin so that we may truly understand the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ.

**Knowing Our Sin**

I. **Knowing from God's Law**

- A. God graciously reveals the knowledge that we need in a world that does not want to know the source of misery, which is sin.

- B. Our God of grace has given the law to diagnose the problem of our sin.

II. **Knowing Our Wretchedness**

- A. In Matt. 22:37-40 we read Jesus' response to a doctor of the law, a Pharisee, who asked Jesus which was the greatest of the commandments. It was a trick question that Jesus answered perfectly - love God with heart, mind, soul, and strength.

- B. Under the microscope of God's law we examine our lives.

III. **Knowing is Beneficial**

- A. This knowledge humbles us.

- B. This knowledge of the wretchedness of our sins points us to the only One Who can save us from our sins, our Lord Jesus Christ.