

The Gospel of Jesus Christ

The word Gospel means “good news”. However, before we can understand the good news of a cure, we must first understand the bad news that we have an illness. So, what is the bad news? God made the world and everything in it perfect, including us, but we rebelled against Him in the Garden of Eden, bringing death and suffering into the world. Rebellion against God is called sin, and sin is the breaking of God’s law.



The Law is like a CT or PET scan - it reveals the cancer of sin inside of us. Have you ever told a lie, hated someone, looked with lust, or used God’s name as a curse word? All of us must answer “yes”

to at least some of these questions. That is just a look at 4 of the 10 commandments, and everyone is guilty of breaking them. Many people today think that God’s law is arbitrary and made up by men, but it is easy to prove otherwise. What is the highest, purest, most honorable emotion a human being is capable of? Even the Beatles understood.... all you need is LOVE. That is what the 10 commandments are based on, the first 4 reveal our love for God and the next 6 reveal our love for our neighbor. Jesus and all the other New Testament writers teach that the Law is fulfilled by Love!



If we lie to someone, we aren’t loving them. If we look at someone as an object to lust after, we aren’t loving them. And if we use the name of our Creator in any way that doesn’t bring Him honor, that is not loving Him.

We all fail to be completely loving in our interactions with each other, and the God who created us, and because of that we have broken His Law. The Bible

teaches “God is Love”, and the Law to “be perfect as our Father in Heaven will fail to do this, so when He also gave Him “Grace” (Unmerited



reveals that He wants us is perfect”. God knows we gave the Law to Moses, He Favor). Grace is the means

God uses to supply us with forgiveness for our sin, and it always involves the shedding of blood. (Without the shedding of blood, there is no remission of sin) In the “Old Testament” the blood was from the animals, but they were only pointing forward to the Ultimate Sacrifice.

God sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, to die in our place and provide a way of forgiveness, that we may receive His Grace. That free gift has to be received by us through repentance and faith. Repentance means to turn away



from and renounce our sin, and faith means to trust in Jesus alone for our salvation. God then forgives our sin, and gives us His Holy Spirit, to lead us and guide us into obedience, in Love. We grow by studying His Word, Prayer, Church,

Trusting Him, and Submitting to His will.

Also, we must know that we cannot be saved by our good works. Imagine a rapist trying to keep himself out of jail by feeding the hungry. He is still guilty, and no amount of good can eliminate that guilt. The Bible teaches that the wages of sin is death, so the punishment will always fit the crime. Jesus died so that you don't have to pay the ultimate price of spiritual death, separation from God, and eternity in Hell when you die. By living a perfect life, Jesus was able to take on our punishment for sin. As the perfect sacrifice, He paid the price that we could not pay. Even though He never sinned - and therefore didn't deserve any punishment - He willingly died in our place, so we could be reconciled to God, have spiritual life, and the wonderful hope of eternity with Him in heaven! God loves you and me more than we will ever be able to comprehend!

It did not end with Jesus' death - He rose again after 3 days, and over 500 people witnessed Him resurrected! He is now seated at the right hand of the Father in Heaven, and He is coming back very soon. If we believe on Him, we also will be



resurrected to eternal life; but if we do not believe on Him, we will be resurrected to eternal damnation. If we reject God's grace by not repenting and believing on Jesus Christ, God will allow us that freedom, however, the consequence of rejecting Jesus is eternity in Hell. Hell is a lake of fire that was made for Satan and the fallen angels, not for us. When we fell, through sin, we rejected God, and if we continue rejecting Him and His love, He will not force us into Heaven and His presence, against our will. Hell is eternal separation from the source of life, and it will be unimaginably terrible.

The only reasons people typically give to reject Jesus and the Bible are not valid when you do the Historiography, Mathematics, conscience. We



research. The Bible is confirmed by History, Archaeology, Anthropology, Geology, Paleontology, Biology, Philosophy, and your find many excuses to reject God, and there is no shortage of deceived people, with seared consciences, that deny God exists; but remember - God's Law is Love - and you know in your heart, Love is the best way.

If you plan to reject God and the Bible, you owe it to yourself to research the Bible, through every available means, with every waking moment you have left, until you have conclusively eliminated every possibility that it is accurate and truthful in all that it claims, beyond a reasonable doubt. (Everyone who has ever earnestly set out on that quest, finds a new respect for the Word of God).



My responsibility ends once you hear the truth, but yours begins when you hear it. The burden of proof is not on the Christian (although we still try), but on the Bible doubter. If it is true, it is the one thing you cannot afford to be wrong about. I plead with you to ask questions, do the research yourself, and don't leave your eternity up to someone else!

Blaise Pascal, the famous mathematician once said, and I paraphrase: Belief in God is statistically justified because we have nothing to lose and everything to gain from holding that belief. If we are correct, we have eternity in paradise and live a life of love and personal growth with a clean conscience. If we are wrong, we still live a life of love and personal growth with a clean conscience, and then we will cease to exist.

The ball is in your court, and we love you and would love to help you in your exploration if you are serious about the Truth!

