

The Main Thing: Series at a glance

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The Gospel

- What does “Gospel” mean?
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“...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...”

Romans 3:23

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“...For the wages of sin is death...”

Romans 6:23a

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“...but the gracious gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord...”

“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”

Romans 6:23b; 5:8

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“...that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved...”

“...for WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE
SAVED.”

Romans 10:9, 13 (Joel 2:32; Acts 2:21)

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“Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...”

“Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”

“For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 5:1; 8:1, 38-39

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What does “Gospel” mean?

- Euangelion: good message; good news
 - Eu: good
 - “Eu-logy” a good word about the departed
 - Angelos; angelion: messenger; message



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- Old Testament usage:
 - An announcement of a good message (a sick person receives good news)
 - A good report from the battlefield
 - Isaiah 52:7



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“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news.”

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“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

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 - Jesus: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like...”
- The Gospel of Jesus Christ
 - Epistles & beyond; who Jesus was & what He accomplished



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Basic References

- John 3:16
- 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

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“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...”

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And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17

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