Title: Why the gospel?
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Word

Why the gospel?

Romans 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."

The origin of sin

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

The result of sin

Romans 5:18a, 19a

- ¹⁸ Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation,...
- ¹⁹ For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners,...

The result of the gospel

Romans 5:18b, 19b

- 18 ... even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.
- 19 ...so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

¹⁴ For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; ¹⁵ and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again. ¹⁶ Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. ¹⁸ Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, ¹⁹ that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. ²⁰ Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Why the gospel?

- 1. Christ died so that we can die to sin.
- 2. Christ was raised so that we can live for Him.
- 3. Christ reconciled the world to Himself.
- 4. Christ gave us the ministry of reconciliation.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is:

- 1. The solution for sin.
- 2. The solution for death.
- 3. The solution for separation from God.
- 4. The solution for the segregation of the world.

Absolute reconciliation

Colossians 1:19-20

¹⁹ For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell,

²⁰ and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

Repent and believe

Mark 1:14-15

¹⁴ Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."