

## Study #2: The Gospel

**Review:** How have you been doing with seeking God with all of your heart? How are you feeling about the relationship you are building with him?

**In this study we will look at how the scriptures define the gospel and how the scriptures call us to respond to the gospel.**

### 1. (1 Cor. 15: 1-4) What is the Gospel?

- A) Jesus died for our sins according to the scriptures.
- B) Jesus was buried.
- C) Jesus was raised from the dead according to the scriptures.
- D) The Gospel saves. (v.2)

**Application:** Do you believe the gospel? (That Jesus died, was buried, and resurrected for you)

### 2. Why is the gospel “good news”?

*“However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news (gospel) of God’s grace.”*  
Acts 20:24

A) God has chosen to bestow grace (favor-blessing-kindness) on us through Jesus’ death, burial, and resurrection.

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to every one who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.”* Rom. 1:16

A) The gospel (death, burial, resurrection of Jesus) is the power of God!

### 3- Acts 2: 36-41 How does God ask us to respond to the Gospel?

- \* v. 36 Peter preaches the gospel- Jesus is both Lord and Christ.
- \* vs. 37 The people were “cut to the heart”. They ask how to make things right with God.
- \* vs. 38 Peter calls them to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

### 4- Acts 2: 38-41 What does God promise if we respond to the gospel?

- V. 38 God promises to forgive our sins.
- V. 38 God promises we will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Eph. 1: 13-14)

### 5- Romans 6: 4-7 Faith, Repentance, Baptism = God’s Biblical Plan to Respond to the Gospel

*4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.*

*5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been set free from sin.*

- A) Our old self is put to death as we descend into the water through faith in Jesus’ death for us. V. 5
- B) We are raised to a new life as we come out of the water through faith in his Jesus’ resurrection. V. 4
- C) The Biblical plan for salvation in Christ is to respond to the gospel with faith, repentance, and baptism.
- D) Responding to the gospel frees us from sin! V. 7

**Application:** Have you ever responded Biblically to the gospel? If not, are you eager to respond to God’s good news?