

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“The Intentional Gospel”

“iChurch – Doing Church Intentionally – Pt. 6

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 & Selected

A healthy New Testament church preaches the intentional Gospel of Jesus Christ as presented in the Holy Bible!

Why do I need the Gospel?

I. Because Jesus is more than just my friend.

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures.” Vs. 3

See Matthew 11:2-5

“He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter replied, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’” Matthew 16:15-16

“The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:28

II. Because I’m not such a good person after all.

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures.” Vs. 3

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?” Jeremiah 17:9 KJV

See Romans 3:9-20

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23

"Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins."

Hebrews 9:22

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

"God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

"He Himself (Jesus) bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed." 1 Peter 2:24

III. Because Jesus is alive.

"...that he was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures." Vs. 4

IV. Because true belief is more than just "I'm sorry."

"Now I would remind you, brothers, of the Gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you – unless you believed in vain." Vs. 1

"For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death." 2 Corinthians 7:10

True Belief Is...

- 1) Hearing the truth of the Gospel.**
- 2) Receiving the truth of the Gospel.**
- 3) Standing firmly upon the truth of the Gospel.**
- 4) Being saved by the truth of the Gospel.**
- 5) Refusing to let go of the truth of the Gospel.**