

**2 Corinthians 4:1-6**  
**“Unveiling the Gospel”**  
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- To believe the Gospel for salvation is not easy believism, for it is not easy—it is simple.
    - Jesus has done all the work
    - A person can do nothing to make himself better than he is
  - Discipleship is to follow belief, but discipleship is not always evidence of eternal life, nor is eternal life based upon discipleship.
  - In chapter 3, Paul contrasts the Old and New Covenants.
    - The Old gives way to condemnation
    - The New gives way to righteousness
      - Paul does not lose heart because his ministry is one of hope and life
  - But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God— 2 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV)
  - Satan is the god of this world (literally “age”)
    - He blinds the mind to the light of the Gospel
  - 4:4—“they might not” or “lest” in the Greek has to do with the will of the individual—it can be overcome
- Paul is pointing people to Jesus, who is the Lord, whether you make Him Lord or not, He is Lord!
  - To soften the heart, the unveil the heart, is to believe on the Lord Jesus (3:16)