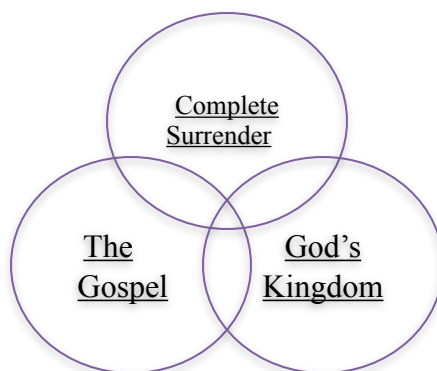


## STUDENT SUNDAY

The Lens of Ministry

August 2, 2015



### What is the Gospel?

*“If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”*

Romans 10:9 (NIV)

When we limit the Gospel to the conversion experience, we sell short God’s plan.

*“And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord’s glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.”*

2 Corinthians 3:18 (NIV)

*“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”*

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (NIV)

The Gospel is about me daily becoming a new creation and actively trying to reconcile the world with the God who created them.

### What is complete Surrender?

*“Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.’”*

Matthew 16:24 (NIV)

*“So here’s what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don’t become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.”*

Romans 12:1-2 (MSG)

Complete Surrender is giving God the entire canvas of our lives and not just a postage stamp.

**What does God’s Kingdom on earth look like?**

“...your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”

Matthew 6:10 (NIV)

If God’s Kingdom were full present in your home, school, work place, group of friends, how would they look different?

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It’s our job to show our friends, and loved ones what heaven is going to be like. Left on their own, this is as close as they well get to it.

The Student Ministry at Coastal strives to create communities of students where they can form real, healthy relationships, journey through life together, and be equipped and challenged to carry God’s Kingdom into their Schools.