



#### Sticky Statement: The power of the gospel doesn't just change our past, it doesn't just change our future, it changes everything about how we can live today it!

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The Power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ NOT only has the power of God to save us, but it also has the power we need to strengthen us, sustains us, and shape us into who God wants us to be in Christ today.

# THERE ARE 3 WAYS THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL SHAPES AND EMPOWERS YOUR LIFE TODAY:

#### 1. THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL MAKES YOU \_\_\_\_\_. V8-10

"<sup>21</sup> For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ." **2 Cor. 5:21** 

"Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God." **1 Peter 3:18a** 

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"reported/proclaimed" = (katangello) proclaimed as advertised.

Q: Who in your "world" is talking about your faith? Who in your world are you influencing with your faith? **Relational Discipleship Moment-** Pause and think about ONE person in our life @ home, work, marriage, gym, church... that has inspired you by their faith! Take a moment and tell them or text them:

## *"I was reminded of how grateful to God I am for you today, because your faith really impacted me when ... "*

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Prayer is simply how we talk to God and the word of God is how God talks to us.

#### Prayers have the power to rewrite history before it happens.

**Relational Discipleship Moment**- Take a moment and think about a person God has recently put on your heart to pray for?

What or Who have you quit praying for that you need to start praying for again in your life? (broken relationships, job situation, healing, friend who needs Jesus)

#### 3. THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL MAKES YOU \_\_\_\_\_\_,V12-15

### The Power of the Gospel doesn't just make you grateful, and prayerful, it makes you impactful!

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### RCC you have 86,400 seconds a day ... how will you use every one of them this week to live out the power of the gospel?