

The Gospel: “We Have Good News”

1. What Is the Gospel?

- The word “gospel” means good news.
 - **Romans 1:16**
 - **2 Corinthians 5:21**
 - In a word: substitution.
 - In a sentence: Jesus in my place.
 - The gospel is not just the way we begin in Christ — it’s the way we grow in Christ.
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2. The Lie of Religion

- Religion says: “I obey, therefore God accepts me.”
 - The gospel says: “I am accepted by God through Christ; therefore, I **obey**.”
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3. A Gospel Reawakening

- The goal of the gospel: to produce people with passion for **God** and love for **others**.
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4. The Gospel Is the Power to Love God

- **1 John 4:19**
 - **Matthew 22:37**
 - **1 Corinthians 13:1–3**
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Closing

- Religion will **exhaust** you.
- Religion says “Get to work” — the gospel says “**It is finished.**”
- Stop trusting in your **performance** — start trusting in **His**.
- Let the good news move from your **head** to your **heart**.