

## Salt Shakers | Week 3 Study Guide Gospel Non-Negotiable's

**Bible Text:** Various

## **Open Up**

We never move beyond the gospel, we only move deeper into it. What do you think that statement means?

Last week Pastor Tony shared that recent surveys show that half of those who identify as evangelical Christians don't even believe that salvation is the result of the death and resurrection of Christ, not our good works. Why do you think there is so much confusion in the Christian community on the basic understands of the gospel?

## Dig In

Sunday we looked at: Five Non-Negotiable's For Sharing The Gospel. Let's focus this week's study those five non-negotiable's.

#1 God: God created us, loves us, and wants to have a relationship with us.

Read Genesis 1:27, Zephaniah 3:17, Revelation 3:20. Why is it important for us as Christ followers to remember these basic truths about God? Why is it important as we share Jesus with non-followers?

Why is starting with how God views us is important when sharing the gospel?

**#2 Us: Though created in the image of God, our sin has separated us from God.**Read Isaiah 59:2, Romans 3:23 & 6:23. How are these verses a good reminder that we should remain humble and thankful?

How could you go about sharing these truths with an unbeliever in a way that doesn't offend them or turn them off?

#3 Jesus: Jesus paid the price for our sins on the cross and His resurrection makes new life with God possible.

Read Isaiah 53:5, 1 Peter 2:24, Romans 4:25, John 11:25, 1 Corinthians 15:7. Why should you never share the gospel without including the resurrection? Which of these passages is most impactful to you, and why?

#4 Response: To receive the gift of salvation we must believe in what Jesus did on our behalf, repent and receive Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Read John 3:16-17 & Romans 10:9-10. Do you think it's necessary to confess Jesus as Lord, or can you become a follower by just trusting Jesus as Savior? Why? What does that mean to trust Him as Lord?

How would you explain how a person can cross the line of faith and become a follower?

**#5 After Life: What we choose or don't choose will result in an eternity in heaven or hell.**Read 2 Peter 3:9-10. How are these verses important in sharing Jesus with others? While we like to emphasize heaven, why is it important to share about the realities of hell as well?

How can you share about hell without trying to just scare people into making a decision?

## **Close Out**

What is one application for your life as a result of this study and/or Sunday's sermon?