



EVANGELISM CLASS

Wednesday nights starting July 8th

6:30PM

“Definition of the Gospel”

Preparing Your Testimony

This is *your* spiritual autobiography. Many Christians do not always know the date when God brought them into His kingdom, but this does not mean you have nothing to testify about. Be winsome, honest, and wholesome. Never go into detail about sins. After a person has heard your story, will they know basic truths about Christ or only know you better?

What I Was Like:

My family, friends, interests were ...

My most important value was ...

My religious background and attitude about Christ were ...

What God Used to Begin to Open My Eyes:

**I was awakened to my need by (people,
books, circumstances) ...**

**What I thought or noticed (about myself,
God) at this point was ...**

What I Saw/Understood:

**The aspects of the gospel that touched me
were ...**

**I came to understand that Christ ...
I saw my need was ...**

How Christ Has/Is Affecting My Life:

What changed was ...

My desires now are ...

I'm now doing ...

A difficult area of obedience is ...

The Gospel Definition

Romans 3:21-26

The gospel is the good news that the just and gracious God of the universe looked upon hopelessly sinful people and sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, God in human flesh, to bear His wrath against sin on the cross and to show His power over sin in the resurrection so that everyone who turns from their sin and believes in Him will be reconciled to God forever.

²¹But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, ²²even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ²⁵whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith, for a demonstration of His righteousness,
Romans 3:21-26

because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶for the demonstration of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
Romans 3:21-26

The just and gracious God of the universe...

¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, ¹⁹because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. ²⁰For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, both His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. ²¹For even though they knew God, they did not glorify

Romans 1:18-25

Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish heart was darkened. ²²Professing to be wise, they became fools, ²³and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the likeness of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures. ²⁴Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. ²⁵For they exchanged the truth
Romans 1:18-25

of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.
Romans 1:18-25

¹¹For there is no partiality with God.¹²For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law. ¹³For it is not the hearers of the Law who are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified. ¹⁴For when Gentiles who do not have the Law naturally do the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, ¹⁵in that they demonstrate the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing

Romans 2:11-16

witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them, ¹⁶on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.

Romans 2:11-16

**¹⁹Now we know that whatever the Law says,
it speaks to those who are in the Law, so
that every mouth may be shut and all the
world may become accountable to God;
Romans 3:19**

**²¹But now apart from the Law the
righteousness of God has been manifested,
being witnessed by the Law and the
Prophets,
Romans 3:21**

The just and gracious God of the universe...

- God is sovereign creator.
- God is just judge.
- God is gracious savior.

**²³for all have sinned and fall short of the
glory of God,**

Romans 3:23

**²But your iniquities have made a separation
between you and your God,
And your sins have hidden His face from
you so that He does not hear.
Isaiah 59:2**

**...looked upon hopelessly
sinful people...**

- **We have rebelled against God.**
- **We are separated from God.**
- **We are spiritually dead without God.**

**²³For the wages of sin is death, but the
gracious gift of God is eternal life in Christ
Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 6:23

**¹And you were dead in your transgressions
and sins,**

Ephesians 2:1

**17 ¶Awaken yourself! Awaken yourself! Arise,
O Jerusalem,
You who have drunk from the hand of
Yahweh the cup of His wrath;
The chalice of reeling you have drained to
the dregs.**

Isaiah 51:17

...and sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, God in human flesh, to bear His wrath against sin on the cross and to show His power over sin in the resurrection...

- **Jesus' life displayed the righteousness of God.**
- **Jesus' death satisfied the wrath of God.**
- **Jesus' resurrection demonstrated the power of God.**

⁴who was designated as the Son of God in power, according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,

Romans 1:4

²⁴being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ²⁵whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith, for a demonstration of His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶for the demonstration of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Romans 3:24-26

**...so that everyone who turns from their sin
and believes in Him will be reconciled to
God...**

- **God is the giver of the gospel.**
- **God is the gift of the gospel.**
- **God is the goal of the gospel.**

**²⁵whom God displayed publicly as a
propitiation in His blood through faith, for a
demonstration of His righteousness,
because in the forbearance of God He
passed over the sins previously committed;
Romans 3:25**

...forever.

- **We can know all these truths and still not be saved.**
- **Our eternal destiny hinges on a biblical response to the gospel.**
- **Turn from sin (repent) and trust in Christ.**
 - **Surrender your life to God.**
 - **Ask God to save you.**

So What?

- **Have you responded biblically to the gospel?**
- **Are you trusting Jesus Christ right now?**
 - **Will the gospel stop with you or spread through you?**
- **With whom will you share the gospel?**