

“The Gospel in 8 Words” TROUBLE³ SERIES

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I Corinthians 15:1-7

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Col. 4:3-4 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds: ⁴ That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

1 Corinthians 15:1-7 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; ² By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. ³ For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; ⁴ And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: ⁵ And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: ⁶ After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. ⁷ After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.

1. Jesus 2. Christ 3. Died 4. For 5. Our 6. Sins 7. and 8. Arose

What did Paul do? - I preached (v. 1) that which I also received (v.3).

God taught it to him: **Galatians 1:12** For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

What did the people do? - They received it (v. 1); trusted Christ; believed (vs 2)

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

1 John 5:13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

They were saved by it (v.2) from hell to heaven. They stand in it (v. 1);

John 10:28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.

The four verbs Paul used in defining the gospel

Christ **died** (v.3) ...for our sins

Why did He have to die? **Hebrews 9:22** And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

...according to the Scriptures. **Isaiah 53:5** But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

He was **buried** (v.4a). Burial is proof that He died.

His death and burial show His humanity - **1 John 4:2** Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

He **rose** (v.4b) the third day.

...according to the Scriptures: **Psalms 16:10** For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

He was **seen** (v.5). (proof that He arose)

The resurrection shows His deity – **John 20:31** But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Conclusion: The gospel by which we are saved is ...**Jesus Christ died for our sins and arose.**

1 Cor. 2:1-2 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. ² For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Acts 16:31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.