

## **What is the Gospel?**

The just and gracious God of the universe looked upon hopelessly sinful people and sent His Son, Jesus Christ, God in the flesh, to bear His wrath against sin on the cross and to show His power over sin in the resurrection so that all who have faith in Him will be reconciled to God forever.

### **The character of God:**

“For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.” ROMANS 1:20

- God is the just and gracious Creator of all things.
- We belong to Him, are accountable to Him, and are created to glorify Him.

### **The sinfulness of man:**

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...” ROMANS 3:23

- We are each created by God but are all corrupted by the sin in our hearts.
- Admit areas of rebellion, be honest with God about sin, and turn from it.

### **The sufficiency of Christ:**

“...and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”  
ROMANS 3:24

- Jesus Christ alone is able to remove our sin and reconcile us to God through His death.
- He alone satisfies the wrath of God for our sins.
- Recognize that we are helpless to be reconciled with God apart from Jesus Christ.

### **The necessity of faith:**

“God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.” ROMANS 3:25

- We are reconciled to God only through faith in the crucified Savior, Jesus Christ. There is nothing we can do to become right with God. No church membership or religious routine can do this, only through faith in Jesus.
- Faith that leads to salvation involves turning from sin and self-sufficiency. Turn to Jesus and trust in Him as Lord, confess Him as Lord and Savior.

### **The urgency of eternity:**

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” JOHN 3:16

- Our eternal destiny is dependent on our response to Jesus.
- Cry out to God to save you of your sins, put your faith in Jesus Christ and confess Him as Savior and Lord.

We all have within us hearts that are deceitfully wicked and apart from the grace and mercy of God through the cross of Jesus Christ we are under His just and perfect wrath. Eternity is coming and is far too long to be flippant about salvation. Are you right with God? Do you know Him? Do you want Him? Cry out to Him who is able to save you from your sin and bring eternal hope and life in a right relationship with God, the sovereign Creator of the world.