

THE GLORIOUS GOSPEL

#5 False Gospels

Galatians 1:6 I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— ⁷which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned! ⁹As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let him be eternally condemned!

2Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

MARKS OF A FALSE GOSPEL

1. Denial of any of the historical Gospel events

1Corinthians 15:3 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve.

1Corinthians 15:14 And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith.

2. Detracting from Christ by leaving room for human boasting

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— ⁹not by works, so that no one can boast.

Romans 3:27 Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith.

3. Diminishing the identity of Jesus as the Messiah-Savior-God

1John 2:22 Who is the liar? It is the man who denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a man is the antichrist—he denies the Father and the Son.

2Peter 2:1 But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them— bringing swift destruction on themselves.

4. Declaring that everyone will ultimately be saved because of God's love

Revelation 21:27 Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 20:15 If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

2Thessalonians 1:9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power

Matthew 7:14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

OTHER GOSPEL DISTORTIONS...

1. The Minimalist or 'Fire Escape' gospel
2. The Truncated gospel
3. The Life Improvement gospel
4. The Prosperity gospel
5. The 'License to Sin' gospel
6. The Great Commandment gospel

THE TRUE GOSPEL

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.

By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: **that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve.**

1 Corinthians 15:1-5

Bible Reading Plan

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