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THE GOSPEL SAVES

What do you tell a person that is not a Christian? What if a person does not know whether they are saved? What do you tell them?

There are some "life and death" statements in the Bible that should get your attention. John 8:24 says, "Unless you believe that I am He, you shall die in your sins." 2 Thessalonians 1:8-10 says, "[Jesus] will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed."

It is imperative to believe in and obey the Gospel. However, there are some who are confused as what the Gospel even is. What is the Gospel? Paul tells what the Gospel is in 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, saying, "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." Notice that it says the Gospel is what saves. Also notice what the Gospel is: Jesus died for our sins, was buried, and was raised on the third day. That is the heart of the Gospel message. Paul indicates how important this Gospel is when he says, "For what I received [message of the Gospel] I passed on to you as of first importance."

There are a lot of important things in the Bible, like, prayer, going to church, being kind to others, and telling the truth. However, those are not the things that Paul said were "of first importance." We need to share the message of the Gospel above anything else that we share with a person we know is not a Christian.

When Peter preached the first Gospel sermon in Acts 2, he preached Jesus as the promised Messiah. He only preached the Gospel when he said in Acts 2:23-24, "This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him." It was only when Peter preached the Gospel that the people were "cut to the heart" and then were "baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins." (Acts 2:37-38)

What do you tell a person that is not a Christian? Tell them the Gospel. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 2:2, "For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." The Gospel Saves!

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES

Feb. 27 @ 9:30 am-Tues. morning
Bible Study via zoom

Ladies bible Class- Sat. March 9th- 10
am @ church building

Potluck- March 24 right after morning
worship service

April 27th Give Away Day- fill
out sheet on back table as to what
you might contribute and return to
Pat by **mid February**.

See other upcoming events on
back table.

Trip to see Daniel @ Sight and
Sound Theatre in sept. Inquiry
sign up sheet in back.

The **Shine ministry** is collecting items for the
homeless-see list on the back table.

Remember to contribute to the Spooner House
food collection, and to our own food pantry,
Barnabas Project- if interested in joining
contact Mary Lou (475)529-5751

*Pray for Paul Woodard (Brandy's husband) and family , his father passed away. Pray for Pat Yaglowski;s son, Henry, he is dealing with extreme tinnitus. *Pray for Desrine Forbes' health and recovery from recent surgery *Pray for Karen Stanzione's S-I-L, Jose, who is recovering from his third liver transplant. *Pray for Angela's coworker Karen Tabor, her cancer has spread. *Pray for London Stephens who will be having surgery in the near future due to difficulty hearing. *Pray for Bill Lane (Margaret's brother) recently diagnosed with bone cancer. *Pray for Daryl Smith who recently had a kidney transplant. *Pray for Jess Taylor's remaining 2 months of pregnancy. *Pray for Paula Ross's sister and B-I-L, their house recently burned down. *Pray for Eric Reynolds father who has been in and out of the hospital. *Pray for Carol Ligori who is in severe pain due to sciatica.	*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), Tom Byer *Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year. *Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers for our church leaders. Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones:Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia,Greg & Linda, Gina Porto *Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: NadineKeller,Greg&LindaCerminara,Jeremy Sazone,Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti,Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes. , Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood,Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes. *Anyone interested in helping with World Bible School- contact Ron *Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.
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Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

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Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11 am

Online bible class and worship service go

to our website: trumbullchurchofchrist.org

Week of 3/03/24

Song Leader : Kris Eddy

Lord's table:Steve Froehlich

Closing Prayer: Ray Fernandes

Usher: Greg Payne

Week of 2/18/24-2/24/24

Donations \$2335 Expenses:\$2100

