

## The Gospel of Jesus Christ – Lesson 1

### A Foundational Lesson for The Bible Classroom Academy

Welcome, Bible Besties!

One of the most important questions anyone can ever answer is this:

## What is the Gospel?

The word *Gospel* means "**Good News.**" It is the good news that God loves us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins and give us eternal life.

- **Why Do We Need the Gospel?**

The Bible teaches that every person has sinned and fallen short of God's perfect standard.

**Romans 3:23 (NKJV)**

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."*

Sin separates us from God. No amount of good works, church attendance, or personal effort can remove our sin.

- **God's Amazing Love**

Even though we were sinners, God loved us deeply.

**John 3:16 (NKJV)**

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."*

Jesus came to earth, lived a sinless life, taught the truth, healed the sick, and showed people the love of God.

- **Jesus Died for Our Sins**

The heart of the Gospel is the cross.

Jesus willingly gave His life for us.

**Romans 5:8 (NKJV)**

*"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."*

On the cross, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins so that we could be forgiven and restored to a relationship with God.

- **Jesus Rose Again**

The Gospel does not end at the cross.

Three days after His death, Jesus rose from the grave!

**1 Corinthians 15:3-4 (NKJV)**

*"Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures."*

Because Jesus lives, we have hope, forgiveness, victory, and eternal life.

- **How Do We Receive Salvation?**

The Bible teaches that we receive salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

**Romans 10:9 (NKJV)**

*"That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."*

We come to Jesus in repentance, place our faith in Him, and follow Him as Lord.

- **Holy Highlight**

The Gospel is not about what we can do for God. It is about what Jesus has already done for us through His death, burial, and resurrection.

- **Wisdom Nugget**

The Gospel changes everything. It changes our eternity, our purpose, our identity, and our future.

- **Life Application**

Ask yourself:

1. Have I personally trusted Jesus Christ as my Savior?
2. Am I sharing the Good News with others?
3. Am I living each day in gratitude for what Jesus did on the cross?

## Conclusion

The Gospel is the greatest news the world has ever heard. Jesus loves you, died for your sins, was buried, and rose again so that you can have eternal life through Him. When we place our faith in Christ, we become children of God and begin a new life with Him.

Never get over the Gospel. It is the message that saves, transforms, and gives us hope forever.

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