

Scripture Consulting Essentials

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The Gospel of God

Greek noun: *euangelion* = gospel, good news, good message, joyful proclamation.

Greek verb: *euangelizō* = to proclaim a gospel, good news, good message, or joyful proclamation.

Greek noun: *kakangelion* = bad news, evil message, or unhappy proclamation.

Luke 2:10 (bring good tidings: *euangelizō*).

Mark 1:14-15 (gospel: *euangelion*).

Matthew 4:23:

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

Matthew 9:35:

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Matthew 24:14:

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

I Corinthians 15:1-11.

Paul had preached the gospel (the joyful proclamation) to the Corinthians, including that Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, and that he was raised from the dead on the third day according to the Scriptures.

Romans 1:1-4.

The gospel, the good message or joyful proclamation, of God was concerning His Son Jesus Christ, whom God raised from the dead, according to verses 3 and 4. According to verse 2, that gospel had been promised before by God's prophets in the holy Scriptures.

Galatians 3:8:

And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, *saying*, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

Hebrews 4:2:

For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them [Israel in the time of Moses]: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.

Acts 3:18-25.

The prophets foretold of what the Christ was to accomplish. Jesus Christ carried out God's purpose and plan for mankind's redemption and salvation by giving his life for them. Then God raised him from the dead, and he ascended into heaven. That is an essential part of the gospel of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ pertaining to the kingdom of God.

Romans 1:5-17.

The fruit that Paul wanted to have among the Romans was to preach the gospel (the good message, good news, or joyful proclamation) of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ to them. That was the purpose of Paul's intended visit with them. Paul was not ashamed of that gospel, because it is the power of God unto salvation to those who believe. The righteousness of God is revealed in that gospel.

Romans 3:21-24.

Today, people are justified, or made righteous, freely by God's grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Jesus Christ willfully carried out what God said had to be done for mankind, and today the results are available to all people. The epistle to the Romans tells us that the righteousness of God is unto all and upon all who believe, and that is because of Jesus Christ's faithfulness to God. That is a joyful proclamation.

Romans 5:6-11.

The gospel of God concerning Jesus Christ shows that Christ died for us while we were sinners, not righteous. We were justified, or made righteous, by his shed blood. We were reconciled to God by the death of his Son. Because of what he did for us, we shall also be saved from the wrath of God that is to come upon the world in the future.

Romans 5:12-21.

Jesus Christ was God's plan to reverse what Adam had brought into the world by his disobedience. By Adam's sin, many were dead. By Jesus Christ's obedience to God's Word, many were made alive. By Adam's sin, many were condemned. By Jesus Christ's righteousness, many have been justified, or made righteous, and they have life today as a result of Jesus Christ's accomplishments for them. That is indeed a joyful proclamation.

The life made available by Jesus Christ's accomplishments according to God's plan of redemption and salvation is eternal life. This was part of God's intended purpose in Christ. This is part of the gospel, the joyful proclamation, of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ.

II Timothy 1:8-10.

God has saved us and given us life according to His Own purpose and grace and not according to our works. Our Savior Jesus Christ abolished the death brought about by Adam, and he brought life and immortality to light. This is all part of the gospel of God, the joyful proclamation of God, concerning His Son Jesus Christ.

John 10:10:

I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

To acquire the life made available by Jesus Christ according to God's purpose, a person must believe in Jesus Christ as he is described in God's Word.

Romans 10:4-10.

To be saved, a person is required to confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus and to believe in the heart that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Those are the only requirements for receiving the salvation and life made available by Jesus Christ. Whoever believes on him will not be ashamed. They are saved, and they receive the life made available by Jesus Christ according to God's plan of redemption and salvation. There are no works that they can add to what Jesus Christ has done to receive that eternal life. It has been done for them. Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to all who believe in him. All they are required to do is to confess him as their lord and to believe that God raised him from the dead.

Romans 10:11-17.

According to this record, the gospel is preached by those who are sent by God to preach it. Those who hear the gospel of God concerning Jesus Christ may choose to believe it, and those who believe may call on his name and be saved. This kind of believing comes by hearing the Word of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ, and those who confess the Lord Jesus and believe that God raised him from the dead are saved.

People need to recognize God's purpose in Christ as recorded in the Word of God so that they may believe the gospel of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ and receive the life he came to make available.