

The “5 Truths” of the Gospel

Truth #1: Already Forgiven – all of your sins were forgiven on the Cross of Christ, except the sin of unbelief. Mark 3:28; Romans 5:10a; John 16:8-9

Truth #2: Made Clean – when you trust in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God takes out your old sinful spirit (heart) and gives you a brand, new clean heart. Romans 6:6; Romans 6:17-18; John 3:3,7

Truth #3: Made Righteous – as a Christian, you are now righteous in your spirit because Jesus, in the form of the Holy Spirit, lives in you. 2 Peter 1:4

Truth #4: In Union – you are “in Christ” because Jesus joins as one with you in your spirit. John 14:20; 1 Corinthians 6:17; Colossians 1:27

Truth #5: By Faith – you are righteous on the inside but your body is still dead to sin. Follow by faith the inner life of Christ so that you can live a righteous life. Romans 8:10; Galatians 2:20; Philippians 3:3b

The “5 Keys” to Understanding the New Testament

Key #1: Teaching of the Holy Spirit - only the Holy Spirit can make the Bible come alive since your human mind is incapable of understanding God’s spiritual truths. 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Key #2: Proper Context - the New Testament must be understood in its proper Jewish context. Otherwise, the message gets misinterpreted and is dramatically changed. Romans 9:4; John 4:22b

Key #3: Spiritual Beings - all people have an inner spirit and an outer mortal body. Christians have a “born again” spirit that is righteous, but they still live in their not-yet-redeemed mortal bodies. 2 Corinthians 4:16, 5:1-6; Ephesians 4:24

Key #4: Jesus Emptied Himself - Jesus lived by the power of the Holy Spirit that He received at His baptism. Jesus lived by faith and not by His own power. Therefore, He is your model for a life of faith. John 14:10b; Matthew 12:28; Matthew 12:18

Key #5: Hebrew Law - God gave the Law only to the Jews; the Gentiles have never been under the Law. Romans 2:14; Hebrews 7:18, 28; Hebrews 8:13

Romans 6:6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, **that our body of sin** {“old sinful nature”) **might be done away with**, that we should no longer be slaves to sin;

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Romans 8:10 If Christ is in you, **though the body is dead because of sin** {because it *has not yet* been redeemed}, **yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness** {because it *has* been redeemed}.

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1 Corinthians 3:16-17b Do you not know that **you are a temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?** [17] ... **for the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are.**

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True Tracts

Denominational “Christianity”

Millions of true Christians are caught in the trap of denominational “Christianity,” totally unaware that it is a false system of religion. These precious children of God, the very brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, participate in a religion that worships God in name only but denies the Cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The grip that religion has on them is so strong that most will resist any attempt to warn them of the evil nature of the system. Tradition is their prison. Its Catholic form has been around for 1,600 years and its Protestant form has been around for 450 years. “If it is that old, it must be true.”

(If these assertions seem impossible to you, keep reading to find out why they really are true.)

Is It a False Religion?

All false teaching is caused by attempting to interpret the Bible through human understanding apart from the teaching of the Holy Spirit. And, the main reason for the tremendous amount of error within the “Christian” religion is because people have interpreted the Gospels and the letters of the Apostles from a Gentile perspective instead of in their proper Jewish context. Both early theologians and Reformation period theologians were caught up in one or both of two longstanding cultures: an attitude of anti-Semitism or an obsession to destroy perceived heretics. Any voice that offered the truth was snuffed out. No one realized that they were protecting error instead of the truth; they still do not. Most Christians have grown up thinking that denominations are just a normal part of the Christian religion. Yet, denominations have always ignored the clear teaching of Scripture.

1 Corinthians [1:10b] that you all agree and that **there be no divisions among you** ... [1:13a] **Has Christ been divided?** ... [12:25a] so that **there may be no division in the body** ...

The interpretation of the New Testament through human wisdom has led to an estimated 635 different “Christian” denominations in the United States alone, and 9,000 worldwide. There is only one truth. For those who wish to dismiss denominations as a necessary reality, consider how disunity has fundamentally damaged the mission of the Church: denominations have hidden from the world the truth that God sent Jesus Christ into the world to save the world. This message of reconciliation can only be made clear through unity. Jesus said this as He was speaking to His disciples at the “last supper”...

Is It a False Religion? (Cont.)

John 17:21-23 **that they may all be one**; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, **so that the world may believe that You sent Me**. [22] The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, **that they may be one, just as We are one**; [23] I in them and You in Me, **that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me**.

The “Good News” message simply does not get across when unbelievers have so many distracting issues and complaints against Christians: “Christianity is just like any other radical fundamental religion ... Christians are hypocrites ... Christians are only interested in protecting their own rights and lifestyle.” Disunity has hidden the truth that God loves the world just as much as He loved His own Son. Most Christians can recite John 3:16 but they don’t really believe that God loves people who show disdain for Christ just as much as He loves Jesus Himself. “God loves good people.”

Christianity has now become relegated along side of Islam as a bunch of dangerous fundamentalists who are constantly fighting with one another and rejecting those who oppose their beliefs. But, how many Christians have ever considered that they bear some responsibility for this state of affairs?

True Christianity is the only true religion. Only Jesus Christ can save you because only Jesus Christ can bring you the new birth. Being “born again” means that you are made righteous in your spirit so that you can stand in the presence of God and be accepted into His family. Yet, Christians are so involved in politics, wealth building and self interests that the unbelieving world does see the true message.

False Teaching

False religion breeds false teaching and this turns people away from the truth. The errors of the “Christian” religion are many. Almost universally, people are taught a gospel of forgiveness that results in becoming a “sinner saved by grace.” This is the wrong gospel and always has been. The Cross of Jesus Christ forgave all the sins of all people for all time except the single (and eternal) sin of unbelief, the rejection of Jesus Christ as Savior. All unbelievers are forgiven sinners. The reason for this massive error is that the “Gentilized” church does not recognize that forgiveness was an issue of Law, and the Law was only given to the Jews. There is no transgression and sins are not charged to those who are not under Law.

Romans 4:15 Because the law worketh wrath: for **where no law is, there is no transgression**. (KJV)

Romans 5:13 for until the Law sin was in the world, but **sin is not imputed when there is no law**.

The real Gospel is the Gospel of righteousness and it is made possible because Jesus became “**sin on our behalf**” and because God defeated sin and death by raising Jesus from the dead.

Upon faith in Christ, God removes your old sinful spirit and replaces it with a brand new, clean heart (Romans 6:6). Then, the Holy Spirit comes to live in your new heart to make you literally righteous. This is being born again and this is what saves you. The “Christian” religion denies these truths by substituting conditional or limited forgiveness, and “imputed” or credited righteousness, both of which are false doctrines.