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## \*Gospel of the Kingdom (good news of the Kingdom)

Jesus Christ came as the “promised Messiah” to fulfill the prophecies (given to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and David), proclaim the kingdom of God, and offer salvation to Israel. However, the majority of the Jewish leadership and the people (the nation of Israel as a whole) rejected Him as their Messiah, which ultimately led to His crucifixion. The peak of the nation of Israel’s rejection (in unbelief) culminated in the stoning of Stephen (Acts 7). This marked a turning point in God’s dealing with Israel.

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup> and saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

### **Matthew 3:1-2**

<sup>14</sup> Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel <sup>[a]</sup>of the kingdom of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God <sup>[b]</sup>is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

### **Mark 1:14-15**

17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

### **Matthew 4:17**

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

### **Matthew 9:35**

*‘These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: “Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. ‘*

### **Matthew 10:5-8**

<sup>14</sup> Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. <sup>15</sup> And He said to them, “Go into all the world and **preach the gospel** to every creature. <sup>16</sup> He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup> And these signs will follow those who <sup>[d]</sup>believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they<sup>[e]</sup> will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

### **Mark 16:14-18**

<sup>38</sup> Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be **“baptized in the name of Jesus Christ”** for the [k]remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

## **Acts 2:38**

### **How were they saved?**

<sup>13</sup> When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, “Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?” <sup>14</sup> So they said, “Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup> He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered and said, **“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”** <sup>17</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

## **Matthew 16:13-17**

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. <sup>26</sup> And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> She said to Him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the **“Christ, the Son of God”**, who is to come into the world.”

## **John 11:25-27**

### **Gospel of Grace**

The gospel of the grace of God, which Paul preached, emphasized the finished work of the cross; the death, burial, and resurrection of

Jesus Christ as the means of salvation. It highlighted that salvation is by grace through faith alone, apart from adherence to the Mosaic law and temple worship. These were new revelations not given to Peter and the eleven but to Paul alone. Before the gospel of grace, there was no gospel “Good News” message to the Gentile world.

The transition from the **gospel of the kingdom to the gospel of the grace of God** occurred as God turned His focus from the nation of Israel to the Gentiles. This shift was prompted by Israel’s rejection of Jesus as their promised Messiah it was the mystery hidden in the mind of God. The apostle Paul was God’s divinely chosen vessel to proclaim the gospel of grace to the Gentile world. And it is by the gospel revealed to Paul by which all mankind will be judged at the Great White Throne

*‘Moreover, brethren, I declare to you “**the gospel**” which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that 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, ‘  
**I Corinthians 15:1-4***

*‘But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.’  
**Acts 20:24***

## **Mystery revealed**

<sup>25</sup> [a]Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began

**Romans 16:25**

“Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.”

**Romans 16:25-27**

“the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”

**Colossians 1:26-27**

“Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God.”

**I Corinthians 4:1** (his responsibility to tell people)

“But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

## **Galatians 1:11-12**

”on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.“

## **Romans 2:16**

”But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God.“

## **Acts 20:24**

”But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, to reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:“

## **Galatians 1:15-16**

”For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.“

## **1 Corinthians 1:17-18**

For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles — <sup>2</sup> if indeed you have heard of the [a]dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup> how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, <sup>4</sup> by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), <sup>5</sup> which in other ages was not

made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: <sup>6</sup> that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel,

**Eph. 3:1-6**

<sup>13</sup> For I speak to you Gentiles; in as much as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry,

**Romans 11:13**

### **Grace/Faith/without works or the law**

“yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.”

**Galatians 2:16**

“For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.”

**Romans 3:28**

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,”“not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

**Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV**



<sup>11</sup> Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup> that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

## **Ephesians 2:11-13**

### **Properly discerning the bible- discussion**

### **Jerusalem Council- Acts chapter 15 & Galatians chapter 2**

### **Did the disciples ever preach the Gospel of Grace? James, Peter, John or Jude's Jewish epistles ?**

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