

“All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” This is what Jesus said after His resurrection from the dead in Matthew 28.

Subsequently in Revelation 21 Jesus promised:

“Behold, I make all things new ... He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.”

If you are willing to believe Jesus, please start by reading through the Gospel of John found in the New Testament, which is a clear revelation of Jesus Christ.

“He that believes on the Son has life eternal; and he that is not subject to the Son Shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.” John 3:36 *KJV M.T.*

If you are willing to obey Jesus and make Jesus Lord of your life, please find a church that holds to the Reformed Confessions, where Salvation is not manmade and wholly of the Lord. You can add your name in its book of members. Becoming a member of a church is so important, it is symbolic of having your name written in the Book of Life, Revelation 3:5; 21:27.

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Below are examples of local Reformed Confessional churches in my area and online: Iglesia Bautista North Bergen. North Bergen, NJ 07047 <https://www.ibrnj.org/> Trinity Baptist Church of Montville, NJ <https://www.trinitymontville.org/> Apologia Church 1805 E Elliot Rd #112, Tempe, AZ <https://www.apologiachurch.com> , Apologia Studios: on YouTube.com

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

The Gospel is found throughout the Bible, but the clearest presentation of it in any book of the Bible is found by reading through the book of John.

1. God is Love and God Hates sin:

God is love and love should be God, love cannot be subjective if it is to be love at all. Love is the most important thing in the world. The 1st Commandment is to love God with all your heart, mind, and soul. **God hates**, God hates sin so much He sent His Son to die on the cross to pay a penalty for and atone for the sin of His people. Jesus said *"I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."*, John 10:1. Jesus's love was to only do those things which pleased His Father.

2. Man is made in the image of God, but wishes to live separated from God:

John 3:20 says *"For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd."* **Man is separated from God and hates God.**

Romans 1:18ff says men do *"... hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; ..."* **Man thinks he should be God and hides in sin.**

John 8:34-36 says *"... Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin ... If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed"* NKJV **Man by nature has bound himself to worship other things** instead of God.

Ephesians 2:1-6a says *"...we were dead in trespasses, made us alive with Christ..."* **Man needs a resurrection from sin.**

3. What is the Gospel?:

Through faith man is reconciled to God. But if a person has no results of that relationship, or if one supposes salvation is separated from becoming a servant like Jesus, is that a saving faith? A man-made faith will not make Jesus Lord of all. The faith that God gives His Sheep is a result of the work of Holy Spirit, Titus 3:5. Galatians 5:22ff says *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,..."* And therefore Galatians 5:18 says *"But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law."* This means that your works don't save you, nevertheless **those who are of Christ's sheep follow the Shepherd, John 10:27.** Romans 8:14 says *"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."* John 8:31,32: says *"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, if ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed ..."*. See also John 15:1-7; Luke 8:11-15; 2 Corinthians 5:17.

4. God does the saving:

Romans 11:32, 35 says: *"For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all. ... who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?"* Faith is the work of God, John 6:29. *"Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent."* Romans 8:30 says: *"Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified."* Jesus is a perfect Saviour.

5. Ask Jesus to save you, you can not save yourself.

Revelation 3:20 *"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."*

6. At the Last day there will be a judgment that has to do with works (Rev. 20:11-15).

Acts 17:30, 31 *And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: **31**Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.* Those that are saved have been saved, and are now being saved, and one day will forever be saved and separated from sin to God at the resurrection. Salvation is both a process and a reality in those who are being saved, 1 Cor 15:2, 1 Cor 1:18, Rom 5:9, John 8:30-32.