

Sermon Notes

Afterthoughts on the Doctrines of Grace

“In View of the Doctrines of Grace,
How Shall We then Present the Gospel?”

I. Presenting the Gospel

- A. The heart throb of all Christians.
- B. If God does the electing, how do we present the gospel?
- C. What does the Gospel mean to you?

II. Understanding the term **Gospel**.

A. Definition

- 1. The Greek word is *euangellion* which originally meant a reward for good tidings.

B. Gospel – communicate as the only way of salvation from God’s wrath.

- 1. Romans 1:16
 - a. Why would Paul be ashamed?

C. The gospel and an alien righteousness – Martin Luther

- 1. Dynamite of God (power, verse 15).

III. Repentance and gospel are intrinsic to one another.

A. The terms may not be separated.

- 1. Jesus’ usage in Mark 1:15
- 2. Repentance and sorrow are not synonyms.
 - a. **Repentance** and **repent** as used in Acts.
 - b. Sermon and dialog usage in Acts.

- 3. **Love** or **Love of God** in Acts.

- a. No occurrences.

4. Use of accepted or accept in the New Testament.

- a. Relevant usage for this topic – Romans 14:3; 15:7.

5. Correct verbiage which communicates becoming a Christian.

Received Christ – Col. 2:6

Became a Christian

Became a follower of Christ

Repented and believed in Christ

IV. Ways of presenting the gospel.

A. Read the Gospel of John.

B. Give your testimony.

C. Question: How do you know what you believe is true?

- 1. John 14:10-11

D. Question: What do you do with your guilt?

- 1. Romans 1

E. Question: Who is Jesus Christ?

F. When Jesus’ name is used as a swear word use E – Who is Jesus Christ?

G. Salvation Prayer

- 1. _____ of real sin.
- 2. _____ of the Lordship of Christ.
- 3. _____ to baptism.

V. Let’s get serious.

A. Being a sower

- 1. Matthew 13:3-8,23; Eph 6:18-20; II Cor. 5:16-21