



Main point: Let reformation and revival come to your soul through the gospel which is the power of God.

(1) Paul and Luther

(2) The gospel rescues us

Conclusion: To Him be the glory forever

#1:

“I opposed indulgences and all the papists, but never with force. I simply taught, preached, and wrote God’s Word; otherwise I did nothing. And while I slept...the Word so greatly weakened the papacy that no prince or emperor ever inflicted such losses upon it. I did nothing; the Word did everything. Had I desired to foment trouble, I could have brought great bloodshed upon Germany; indeed, I could have started such a game that even the emperor would not have been safe. But what would it have been? Mere fool’s play. I did nothing; I let the Word do its work.”

Martin Luther

#2:

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures

#3:

“Why does the pope not empty purgatory, for the sake of holy love and for the sake of desperate souls that are there, if he redeems an infinite number of souls for the sake of miserable money with which to build a church? The former reasons would be most just, while the latter is most trivial.”

Martin Luther

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#4:

“(In Galatians, the Apostle Paul) goes about diligently to instruct us, to comfort us, to hold us in the perfect knowledge of this most Christian and excellent righteousness. For if this article of justification be once lost, then is all true Christian doctrine lost.”

Martin Luther

Commentary on Galatians



#5:

“The realization that my daily relationship with God is based on the infinite merit of Christ instead of on my own performance is a very freeing and joyous experience. But it is not meant to be a one-time experience; the truth needs to be reaffirmed daily.”

Jerry Bridges

#6:

“Central to Paul’s attempt to woo the Galatians back to the true gospel is his insistence throughout the letter that the cross of Christ is the decisive and uniquely sufficient means to rescue sinners from death. Embracing Christ’s cross through faith is all that is needed to effect this rescue and to bring believers in the “new creation”. The law program advocated by the agitators effectively underplays the decisive turning point in all of human history.”

Douglas Moo
Galatians

#7:

“The true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God.”

Martin Luther
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