

# GOSPEL of Grace FELLOWSHIP

## 2 Timothy 2:8

### What Is the Gospel?

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## Remember the Gospel

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**Remember** Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descendant of David, according to my gospel...

### Hebrews 11:22

By faith Joseph, when he was dying, **made mention** of the exodus of the sons of Israel, and gave orders concerning his bones.

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## The Person and Work of Christ

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**Risen** = synecdoche for all of Christ's work.

**Descendant of David** = human lineage of the Messiah.

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## Christ: Truly God, Truly Man

### Isaiah 11:1

Then a **shoot** will spring from the stem of **Jesse**, and a branch from his roots will bear fruit.

### Isaiah 11:10

Then in that day The nations will resort to the **root of Jesse**, Who will stand as a signal for the peoples; and His resting place will be glorious.

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## Paul's Gospel Is God's Gospel

### 2 Timothy 2:8

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### 2 Timothy 1:11

for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle and a teacher.

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## Applications

1. Any distortion of Christ's person or work is a different gospel.
2. We must contend against false gospels that lead people to hell.
3. Believers must always "remember" the gospel as central to our mission.

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## Don't Tolerate Other Gospels

### Galatians 1:8-9

But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be **accursed!** <sup>9</sup> As we have said before, so I say again now, if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received, he is to be **accursed!**

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## Contending Against False Gospels

### Jesus = truly God, truly man

1. Arianism = Jesus is not God
2. Sabellianism = Jesus is the Father
3. Eutychianism = Jesus' natures mixed
4. Nestorianism = Jesus' natures divorced
5. Docetism = Jesus only seemed human
6. Apollinarianism = Jesus had a human body but divine mind and soul

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### Jesus' work = penal substitutionary atonement

#### Mark 10:45

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

#### Galatians 3:13

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE"—

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## Contending Against False Gospels

...how then, have we come to believe that at the cross this God of love suddenly decides to vent his anger and wrath on his own Son? The fact is that the cross isn't a form of cosmic child abuse – a vengeful Father, punishing his Son for an offence he has not even committed. Understandably, both people inside and outside of the Church have found this twisted version of events morally dubious and a huge barrier to faith" (Chalke, page 182).

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## Remember the Gospel!

### Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup> For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

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