

## DECLARING THE GOSPEL

1Cor. 15:1-5

### INTRODUCTION:

- A. The word "gospel" originally denoted a reward for good tidings; later, the idea of reward dropped, and the word stood for the good news itself. The English word gospel, that is, good message, is the equivalent of the English word, evangel
- B. In the N.T. it denotes the good tidings of the Kingdom of God and of salvation through Christ, to be received by faith, on the basis of His expiatory death, His burial, resurrection, and ascension...(Vines Expository Dictionary)
- C. The scriptures describe the gospel as:
  - 1. The events recorded about Jesus Mk. 1:1
  - 2. What Jesus preached about (kingdom of God) Mk. 1:14
  - 3. That which tells about "the grace of God." Acts 20:24
  - 4. What tells how to receive "forgiveness of sins" Acts 13:38
  - 5. Being "the word of truth" Eph. 1:13
  - 6. The power of God to salvation Rom. 1:16
  - 7. The revelation of the mystery Rom. 16:25
  - 8. Something to be obeyed. 2Thes. 1:8
  - 9. What must be preached to every creature Mk. 16:15
- D. SONG "The Gospel is for all" (#424)

### Now Let's Engage In Scripture Reading, Singing and Prayer About The Gospel Of Christ

- A. It was **preached** 1Cor 15:1
  - 1. Acts 20:17-21; Acts 8:9-13; 8:25
  - 2. **SONG "Send The Light" (# 519)**
- B. It was **received** 1Cor 15:1
  - 1. 1Thess 2:13-16; Acts 2:38-41
  - 2. **SONG "Savior Teach Me" (# 610)**
- C. They **stood** in it 1Cor 15:1
  - 1. 2Thes 2:13-15; 2Tim 1:8-13
  - 2. **SONG: "To Christ Be True" (# 415)**

### PRAYER: For us to be busy spreading the Gospel

- D. They were **saved** by it 1Cor 15:2
  - 1. Scripture reading Mk 16:14-20; Rom. 1:16
  - 2. **SONG "Jesus Saves" (# 422)**

### CONCLUSION:

- A. Certainly we should rejoice when we think of that blessed gospel which affords us salvation Rom 6:16-18. Just as the people in Corinth we must:
  - 1. Allow the Gospel to be preached to us
  - 2. We must receive it, which means we respond in obedience to it
  - 3. Then we must stand firm in the Gospel, because it is the Gospel which saves us
- B. Will you respond in obedience to the Gospel, the power of God to salvation
- C. Invitation SONG "I Am Resolved" (# 675)