

"THE TRUE GOSPEL"

14-7-19 Am

Text - I Cor. 15:1-11

Intro. - What is the Gospel? It is the "good news" of salvation thru the Lord Jesus Christ - Of course, it is the answer to the "bad news" that - All are sinners (Rom. 3:23) and under sentence of death (Rom. 6:23)

* - The Good News - The Gospel - ALL HAVE A SAVIOUR!

- To every believer, there is but ONE TRUE GOSPEL - consisting of the Death/Burial/Resurrection of Jesus!

Personal Knowledge

of Saviour required
No other religion requires a personal knowledge of leader
NFC - Buddha, Mohammed, Krishna, Confucius, Zoroaster etc.

VICARIOUS
(in another's place)
(in my place)

Verified
Pharisees/Pilate took precautions
Jonah - prophetically
3 days } 72 hours
3 nights }
(Matt. 12:38-40)

Victorious
(Bodily)
Luke 24:38-40
"- behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself..."

1-PERSONAL
vs. 1-11

notice - "I" ~ declare
"I" ~ preached
"I" ~ delivered
"I" ~ received
"seen of me" ~ you/I believed

2-PREACHED
vs. 1,2,3,11

ep. I Cor. 1:18-21 - "preaching of the cross" not opinions/ideas/preferences
substance - "the cross"
simplicity - Jn. 3:16/Rom. 5:8 - even a child ed. + uned. hearts/dumbbells/relis

3-PRIORITY - vs. 3 - "first of all"

- other things are important - prayer/family/godliness but the Gospel has priority over all -

Priority over: men/methods
Plans/Programs
Buildings/Boards
Lectures/Leaders
Religion/Rules
etc. ~

"When I saw the Wooden Cross"

- Not the death of just a man or martyr but of a Saviour!

* A cross meant for another (Barabbas)
A cross where Jesus took his our place
your

- not just any death but the "death of the cross"

- "Cheap Crosses"
Branched crosses
"Half Jesus died off!"

4-PARTICULARS - Death - "shedding of blood"

VICARIOUS

VERIFIED Burial - Matt. 12:40
- Borrowed Tomb - Bodily Res.

Definite Detailed Declared VICTORIOUS Resurrections recorded in all 4 Gospels

* Starvation in the wilderness
* Strangulation at hands of Men of Godam

* Suffocation in sea

* Seizure of heart in Gethsemane
- Then NO ST. V.

"For such a cruel death he died,
He was cast out and crucified;
Those loving hands that did such good,
They nailed them to a cross of wood."

"And that He was seen..."

of Cephas (Peter)
of the Twelve
of above 500 brethren at once
of James
of all the Apostles
of me

Einstein/Billy Graham's Suit

Graham's Suit

In January 2000, leaders in Charlotte, North Carolina, invited their favourite Billy Graham, to a luncheon in his honour. Billy initially hesitated to accept the invitation because he struggled with Parkinson's disease. But the event leaders said, "We don't expect a major address. Just come and let us honour you." So he agreed...

When wonderful things were said about him, Dr. Graham stepped to the microphone, looked at the crowd, and said, "I'm reminded today of Albert Einstein, the great physicist who this month has been honoured by Time Magazine as the Man of the Century... Einstein was once travelling from London on a train when the conductor came down the aisle, punching the pockets of every passenger. When he came to Einstein, Einstein reached in his pocket. He couldn't find his ticket, so he reached in his trouser pockets.

When it wasn't there, so he looked in his briefcase but couldn't find it, he looked in his pocket beside him. He still couldn't find it. The conductor said, "Dr. Einstein, I know who you are... We all know who you are. I'm sure you bought a ticket. Don't worry about it."

Dr. Graham nodded appreciatively. The conductor continued down the aisle punching every passenger's tickets. As he was ready to move to the next car, he turned around and looked down at the great physicist on his hands and knees looking under his trousers for his ticket. The conductor rushed back and said, "Dr. Einstein, Dr. Einstein, I know who you are, No problem... You don't need a ticket. I'm sure you bought one..."

Dr. Graham looked at him and said, "Young man, I too, know who I am. What I need to know now is where I'm going."

When Dr. Graham said that Billy Graham continued, "See the suit I'm wearing? It's a new suit. My children and my grandchildren are telling me I've gotten slovenly in my old age. I used to be a bit more fastidious. So I went out and I bought a new suit for this luncheon and one more occasion. You know what that occasion is? This is the suit in which I'll be buried. But when I'm dead, I don't want you to remember the suit I'm wearing.

you to remember this: I not only know who I am... I also know where I'm going."

we the Gospel so we can know who we are and where we're going!
