

Predestination And Free-Will

What The Gospel Is Not

The true Gospel of Jesus Christ is none of the following, no matter how many people may be saying these things:

God has a wonderful plan for your life.

In truth, God has a plan for your life that you may not like in the least - especially if you are not among the elect. (Romans 9:22, Romans 2:5-6, Prov 29:1)

God loves the sinner but hates the sin.

In truth, God hates the workers of iniquity AND their wicked works (Psalm 5:5-6, Psalm 11:5-6, Prov 15:9)

You can be saved anytime you want just by accepting Christ.

In truth, salvation is of the Lord (Jonah 2:9), not of man. God chooses whom He wills when He wills (1Cor 15:8, John 1:13, Eph 1:4-11).

Say this prayer and if you really mean it, you are saved.

In truth, God will have mercy on whom He will have mercy (Romans 9:15,18)

Anyone who believes in Jesus and calls Jesus "Lord" is a Christian.

In truth, if God does not convert the person's heart, they are none of His (Matt 7:21-23, James 2:19)

So How Does God Save Someone?

God saves people through the convicting power of the Holy Spirit and through preaching the Gospel. So we need to explain what the Gospel is or what the central message of the Bible is. Click on this link to see our article on "What Is The Gospel?"

Summary: This article is a section of a much larger article on the Bible doctrines of Election and Predestination called "Who accepts Whom?". You are urged to check out that larger article for many other thought provoking questions pertaining these "Doctrines of Grace". — *RM Kane*
