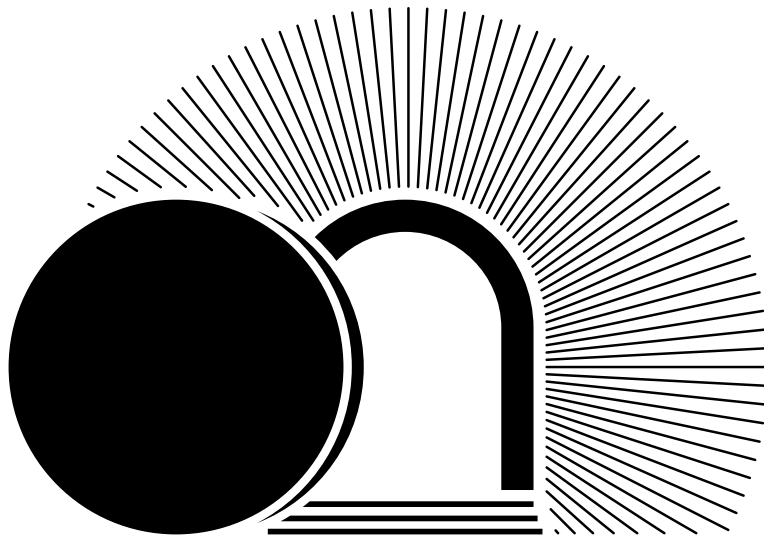


# The Gospel of God



"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6



# God's Holiness

God never had a beginning. He has always been self-sufficient - eternally. Meaning that he needs no one outside of his triune-self. Father, Son, Spirit - 3 persons in one eternal, perfect, all-powerful being. God. The Bible tells us that he created all things seen and unseen, and they exist for his glory. Romans tells us that in God's creation, it is clearly seen that there is a creator. Look around; skies, seas, moon, sun, gravity, seasons, life, breath everything all working and sustained because of a Creator. God is a Holy God, which means he is utterly different or "set apart" from anything and anyone else, perfect and without sin. He is not the same but greater, rather, he is completely different. We were made to worship and enjoy this great God but we sinned. To sin against a holy, eternal God demands payment. That payment is death and judgment. God is his perfection and justice does not let the sinner go unpunished. Sin demands justice. God is perfectly just. How then can a just God spare a sinner?

**Scripture:** Is. 43:7-10 | Rom. 1:19-20 | Ex. 3:14 | Ps. 90:2 | Is. 44:6 | Ps. 22:3 | Is. 6:3 | Rev. 4:8 | Gen. 1:1 | John 1:1-2 | John 8:58 | Is. 45:7 | Rev. 1:17-18

# God's Grace

God could have rightly left us: a sinful people, to ourselves. To die in our sin. Sin earns us death, and after death, judgment. God's word tells us that the guilty sinners (all of us) will appear before God's judgment seat and there be accountable for all our sins. Every deed, every thought, every secret - laid bare before the King of the Universe. It is right for us to be afraid of this mighty God, for the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. He cast all the guilty into the lake of fire, Hell, where they will burn in torment forever. *But God*, being rich in mercy, loved us by sending his own son Jesus to earth. In this the grace and love of God are seen: Jesus who had never sinned and was the eternal God came to earth in humility as a man, lived perfectly then died in our place on the cross and became our sin. Canceling out the record of debt that stood against his people - he nailed it to the cross. Jesus on the cross says "It is finished". Paying for all the sins of his people and rising from the grave on the third day and then ascending into heaven at God's right hand. He is exalted above every name and alive forevermore. You see, the word gospel means "good news". The good news is that God was gracious to humanity in Christ Jesus. His love and justice are finally realized in Christ on the cross, where he judged Christ for our sin though he was perfect and spared those who would believe, though they are guilty. What great news! *FORGIVENESS OF SINS!* Christ Jesus came to save sinners! God has made a way for us to enjoy and worship him forever - Christ!

**Scripture:** John 3:16-36 | 1 Tim. 1:15 | Rom. 6:23 | Rom. 3:10-24 | Rom. 5:1 | Rom. 4:5 | Rom. 2:16 | Ps. 111:10 | Acts 20:28 | John 19:30 | 2 Cor. 5:21 | Gal. 3:13 | Rev. 21:3

# God's Appeal

God offers a message, or appeal to the world in this present day. We plead with you to hear him. Be reconciled to God. Repent and turn away from your sin. Come to Christ the Lord and serve him with your whole life. Jesus was the wrath-appeasing sacrifice for sins, now anyone who would repent of their sin and believe in him can be saved. God offers one way: Jesus Christ. In Genesis God floods the earth because of everyone's sinfulness and saves a few people in one way - an ark, and whoever was inside it was safe from all the raging and deadly waters. God says in Acts that he commands all people to repent. There is no other name but the name of Jesus Christ that can save. He is the one and only, eternal, perfect, Creator, and Savior. Besides him, there is no God! This is God's wisdom to mankind: Christ Crucified. Believe in the Name of Jesus and you will be saved!

**Scripture:** Acts 16:30-31 | 2 Cor. 5:19-21 | Gen. 7:1 | Acts 2:37-39  
1 John 2:1-2 | Luke 24:46-47 | Acts 4:12 | Acts 17: 30-31

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