

# 6 Ways to Give the Gospel Wrong

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Galatians 1:6-9

I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: <sup>7</sup> Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. <sup>8</sup> But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. <sup>9</sup> As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

Acts 15:24

Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, *Ye must* be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no *such* commandment:

Romans 11:6

And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; <sup>2</sup> By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; <sup>4</sup> And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

**The Gospel in 8 words:** Jesus Christ died for our sins and arose.

John 20:31

But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Ephesians 2:8

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

Romans 4:4-5

Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. <sup>5</sup> But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

Acts 16:31

And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

**Wrong Gospel #1:** To be Saved, make Jesus Lord of your life.

Galatians 2:16

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

**Wrong Gospel #2:** To be saved, turn from your sin.

Acts 20:21

Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith [pis-tis] toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Wrong Gospel #3:** Promise to live for Jesus.

Romans 12:1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

**Wrong Gospel #4:** To be saved, give your life to God.

**Wrong Gospel #5:** To be saved, confess Jesus with your mouth.

Romans 10:9

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

2 Timothy 2:12b

... if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:

2 Timothy 2:13

If we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

**Wrong Gospel #6:** To be saved, take Jesus in your heart.

Revelation 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Ephesians 3:17

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

1 Corinthians 3:16

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?