

The Gospel

In a cube

God and man

- ◉ There is one true God

- ◉ "Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me." (Isa. 43:10)

- ◉ He created the universe

- ◉ "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." (Gen. 1:1)

- ◉ He is perfect/holy and wants us to be holy too

- ◉ "You shall be holy; for I the LORD your God am holy" (Lev. 19:2)

- ◉ BUT, we are all sinners

- ◉ "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23)

- ◉ Our sin separates us from God

- ◉ "but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear. (Isaiah 59:2)

God's Plan

- Christ came to earth die for us
 - "But God demonstrates his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8)
- His death on the cross paid for our sins
 - "He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness..." (1 Peter 2:24)

Dead and buried

• They buried him

- "This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid." (Luke 23:52-53)

• The tomb was sealed and guarded

- "the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, 'Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.' Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first. Pilate said to them, 'You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can. So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.'" (Matt 27:62-66)

Raised from the dead

- ◉ God raised Jesus from the dead

- ◉ "he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures," (1 Corinthians 15:4)

- ◉ He was seen by hundreds of people

- ◉ "he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep." (1 Corinthians 15:5-6)

- ◉ Jesus has defeated sin and death!

- ◉ "So when...this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!" (1 Corinthians 15:54-57)

One way to heaven

- Jesus is the ONLY way to God

- "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

Your Choice

• Eternal Life with God is a GIFT

- "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

• You receive it by FAITH

- "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

• What will YOU choose?

- "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God...Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him." (John 3:18, 36)

Prayer of faith...

- God, thank You for loving me.
- I confess that I have sinned against You.
- I believe that your Son, Jesus, died on a cross to pay for my sins.
- I believe that You raised Him from the dead.
- I now put my faith only in Jesus to forgive me and save me from my sins.
- I confess that Jesus is Lord!
- Thank you for your gift of eternal life.
- I pray in Jesus' name, Amen