

Series: The Story

Message: What Is The Story?

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

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Three Expressions Of The Gospel

1. The Counterfeit Version

1) We Lost A Little

2) He Did A Little

3) We Get A Little

2. The Authentic Gospel

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 – Read Responsively

Leader

¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died;

All

¹⁵and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

Leader

¹⁶Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him in this way no longer.

All

¹⁷Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

¹⁸Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation,

¹⁹namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Leader

²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

All

²¹ He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1) We Lost It All

2 Corinthians 5:15

¹⁵ and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

2 Corinthians 5:10

¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

Ephesians 2:1

¹ And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,

2) He Did It All

2 Corinthians 5:18

¹⁸ Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation,

2 Corinthians 5:19

¹⁹ namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:21

²¹ He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1 Peter 2:24

²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

Isaiah 53:4-6

⁴ Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

⁵ But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

⁶ All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the Lord has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

2 Corinthians 5:21a

²¹ He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, ...

3) We Get I All

Colossians 2:13-14

¹³ When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions,

¹⁴ having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

2 Corinthians 5:21b

²¹ ... so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1 Peter 2:24

²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

3. The Distorted Gospel

1) We Lost A Lot

2) He Did A Lot

3) We Get A Lot

2 Corinthians 5:17

¹⁷ Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.