

# The Simple Gospel

OF JESUS CHRIST

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## GOOD NEWS!

Yes, "THE GOSPEL" is GOOD NEWS to the whole human race! When GOD moved to Save the world of mankind, he left no one out In The Cold. His Great Love is Large enough to save the whole world.: "For GOD So Loved The World, that HE gave His Only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." -K J GOD'S LOVE is NOT Lost in TRANSLATION! Let me take you into different Translations this morning as you sip your hot coffee or cold Orange Juice.

"For so greatly did God love the world that He gave His only Son, that

every one who trusts in Him may not perish but may have the Life of Ages." — Weymouth N.T.

This is the Most Loved Verse (John 3:16). in every Translation of The Bible. Look at the expression of this verse in other translations.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his Only and Unique Son, so that everyone who trusts in Him may have Eternal Life, instead of being utterly destroyed." — Complete Jewish Bible— David H. Stern.

"For so loved God the world that His Son the Only Begotten He gave, that everyone who Believes on Him may not perish, but may

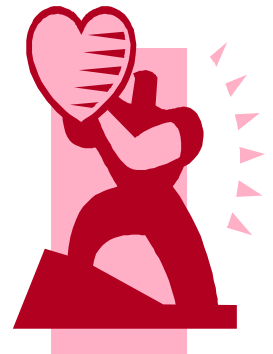


These 3 are eternal: Faith, Hope and Love -which is the greatest!

have life eternal." - Interlinear Greek-English— G. R. Berry. "for God did so love the world, that His Son -- the Only Begotten -- He gave, that every one who IS believing in Him may not perish, but may have life age-during." —Young Translation.

In these 4 Translations we see both the enormity of God's love and the necessity of our Continual Response to His Son, our Savior!

To "Believe" is an Active participation on our part. Faith is never passive:



## Embrace The Gospel!

We must embrace the Gospel with our Heart, if we would receive this Good News.

No human intelligence has ever figured out GOD or his mysterious ways. He made sure, by sending his Son to be "born" of a virgin, in a manger. -It defies all human reasoning, and causes the mind of Scholars and Philosophers to stumble.

GOD'S APPROACH TO MAN

WAS LOVE FROM HIS HEART. Our Response must also be from the Heart Believing. The mind is unfruitful if we exalt it above the Heart!

We must Embrace the Gospel with a Childlike Heart. —Luke 18:15-17 "And they brought unto him also infants, that He would touch them: but when His disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them

unto him, and said, Allow little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for Of Such is the Kingdom of GOD. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the Kingdom of GOD as a little child shall in no wise enter therein." Embrace God's Love with Your Heart Today!

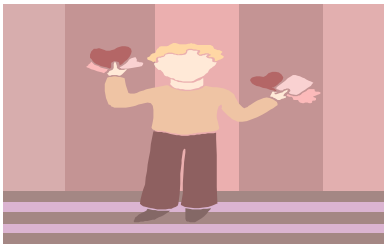


ENCOURAGEMENT !

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**BELIEVE !**

The Gospel is so simple that our complicated mind tends to second guess it, and God's desire and ability to Save. **BUT WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!**



In the Garden of Eden, man chose “knowledge of good and evil” Genesis 2:9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you shall not eat of it: for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die. Ge 3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: Ge 3:5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it, then your eyes will be opened, and you shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. Ge 3:6 And when the woman “Saw” that the tree was good for food, and that it was “Pleasant to the Eyes”, and a tree to be “desired to make one wise”, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.” (additional Capitals used for Emphasis only)

Ever since the Garden, man has wanted to be “wise” and to “be as gods”. Therefore, The Creator chose ‘the heart of man’ over his mind. Eve wanted to “see” and “saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise” Therefore The Savior chose ‘faith in the heart’ in place of ‘the sight of the eyes’ as man’s only approach to his Holy Creator. We too must Embrace Jesus, Our Savior, with our whole heart in love, and he will ‘Illuminate’ our doubting mind.

EMBRACE THE GRACE!

— W. J. P.

## A Believing heart...Is Always The Bridge back to God:

Only GOD is good, Truly Good!

While modern men trust in their own ‘goodness’ before GOD and their fellow men, Jesus rebukes a patronizer for calling him “Good”. Mt 19:16-17 “And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have Eternal Life? And He said unto him, Why do you call Me good? there is none good but one, that is, GOD: But if you will enter into Life, keep the commandments.”

Capture this thought, “God is good!” GOD is not an ogre with a big club stalking you. That mind-frame is darkness, void of any

True Knowledge of The Creator and Savior. Never trust in your own goodness, you will be disappointed. Never doubt God’s Goodness, God is Good all the time! When it comes to your relationship with God, “faith” is always the first step on the Bridge Forward TO GOD!

Here are simple steps you can take today:

1. Believe that GOD IS.
2. Believe that He is a “Rewarder” of all who sincerely seek Him.
3. Believe that GOD IS FATHER who longs for a relationship with You, His child.
4. Believe that GOD has done His work towards this relationship
5. Believe that Jesus coming into our world to offer His pure blood to Save us is Good News.
6. Believe that GOD has accepted the perfect life of Jesus Christ His Son, On Your Behalf.
7. Believe IN Jesus Christ, and Embrace Him as your Salvation.
8. Believe that GOD has Placed Your very Being in “The Body” of His Son,
9. AND BE BAPTIZED INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST!