

1. What Is the Gospel?

(A) If you know what the gospel is, then please write your answer below.

2. What Did Paul Say the Gospel Is?

(A) Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-5, and then fill in the blanks below (specifically use vs. 3 & 4).

"that Christ"... 1. **D** _____ **for** _____ [READ about our sins for which Christ died: 1 Cor 6:9-10 & Re 21:8]
and He was... 2. **B** _____
and He was... 3. **R** _____

3. We Must Obey the Gospel to Be Saved from Our Sins for Which Christ Died

(A) When Jesus returns, "those who do not **know God** and... those who do not **obey the gospel**... will pay the penalty of eternal destruction" (2 Thessalonians 1:8, 9). [Also refer to 1 Cor 15:34 and 1 Peter 4:17].

1. So, what do we need to "know [about] **God**" to avoid "the penalty" of hell and instead be saved?
[READ Romans 10:9, 10]

2. How do we "obey the gospel" to avoid "the penalty" and be saved? If the gospel is the **death [D]**, **burial [B]**, & **resurrection [R]** of Christ (1 Cor 15:1, 3, 4), then how must we "**obey the DBR**" to be saved?
[READ 1 Peter 2:24 and Romans 6:1-11]

ANSWER

BEFORE you read the answer below, first write your answers to the questions to the left.

Clearly & without a doubt, there is only 1-gospel and therefore only 1-way to obey it. Since Christ died "for" our sins, was buried, and was raised to live again (Paul said the gospel is the DBR of Christ 1 Cor 15:1, 3, 4), we then must die "to" sin, be buried with Christ in water baptism, immersed, not sprinkled or poured, and be raised to live a new life (DBR 1 Pet 2:24; Ro 6:2-4). Is this how you obeyed the gospel to be saved? Or did you have a graveless conversion? Were you ever properly taught the true meaning of the gospel, the DBR, and your responsibility to obey it to be saved?

How were you saved?

Prayer is not the gospel (the DBR), for all who call upon the name of the Lord in baptism, not in prayer, will be saved (READ Ac 22:16; Mt 28:19; Ro 10:13).

(The gospel teaches that apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, & teachers led the lost into the water of baptism to call upon the name of the Lord to be saved, not in prayer [READ Ac 8:35-38; 10:47, 48; 16:14, 15, etc.]. Absent from the gospel is any specific command for the lost to pray for his salvation or any specific example of one who was led by another in prayer for his salvation, no, not one. The reason for this is simple: the gospel is not the DPrayerR, but DBuriedR.)

Just believing is not the gospel (DBR), for the devils believe; yet, they will not work out their obedience to the DBR, like some who confidently claim Jesus as their Lord & Savior are failing to do (READ Ja 2:19, 24). This type of faith is useless, meaningless, vain, for nothing, & devilish. But without argument, the gospel is a death, burial, and resurrection (DBR). Now do you understand what you must undergo, submit yourself to, and experience in the name of Jesus Christ to be saved from your sins and pardoned by God, the Judge of all men? **You have now heard the 1-gospel.** But do you believe it? Test yourself. (1) Did Jesus Christ die [D] on a cross for your sins? (2) Was He buried [B]? (3) Did He rise [R] from the dead on the third day? If you said yes to all three of these questions then you believe in the 1-gospel, you believe in Jesus. You know God through Jesus Christ. You basically understand Him. You've satisfied the first condition for avoiding the penalty of hell & receiving the reward of eternal life, heaven. But are you ready to satisfy the second condition? Are you ready to obey the 1-gospel? Test yourself. (1) Are you ready to die [D] to your sins, meaning stop sinning, repent? (2) Are you ready to be baptized in the name of the Lord, meaning buried [B]? Is there anything preventing you from being baptized today, like sin? Should you be re-baptized if your previous baptism was not properly understood or meaningful, full of DBR meaning? (3) Are you ready to rise [R] up from the water of baptism to live a new life, the Christian life? Please hurry to receive the forgiveness of your sins and the reward of eternal life, before it is too late, before Jesus returns. Get saved today! (1) Know God through the gospel (DBR) of Jesus Christ (Ro 10:9, 10). (2) Obey the DBR of Jesus Christ. Die to your sins, be buried with Christ in water baptism, and be raised to live a new life (DBR). Truly this is what it means to receive Jesus & be *born again*. Don't wait to learn more about these things. Complete the Bible Study on the Basics for Beginners & Christians from FreeBibleSchool.org - or- FreeBibleStudy.org **Come, Learn, & Grow!** Patrick Yanello, bringing you what is of 1st importance (1 Cor 15:3)

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Test Yourself

"The gospel [DBR]... is the power of God for Salvation" Ro 1:16

The power to avoid the penalty of hell & receive the reward of heaven (READ 2 Thess 1:8, 9).

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