

SHARING THE GOSPEL AND THE STORY OF THE BIBLE

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THE STORY

1. God creates the world. (God is a Spirit who is both Holy and Loving)
2. There is good and there is evil. Satan rebels against God. Now there are bad angels and good angels
3. God creates man and woman in his own image, but Adam and Eve disobeyed God. (Sin)
4. God promises a Redeemer and many prophets throughout the O.T. predict the coming of Jesus.
5. Throughout the Old Testament, God shows glimpses of his heart for a separated, holy group of people who will love him and honor him.

New Testament:

6. N.T. - God sends his son Jesus to teach us by word and example, what His Kingdom is really like.
7. Jesus gives his life as a sacrifice for our sins, rises from the dead, and triumphs over evil.
8. Jesus establishes the Church, He ascends to heaven to prepare an eternal abode for his people, He sends His Spirit to be with us while He is gone, and He promises that one day He will come again to judge the world and take the righteous to be with Him.

THE CALL

1. God loves us and wants a relationship with us.
2. God deserves our love and our worship because he is God and because he is our Creator.
3. God created us and He has a plan and purpose for each of us. There is a purpose for **your** existence! We can only be truly fulfilled and at peace when we are in tune with our Creator.

4. Jesus, the head of the Church, wants to save us from our sins and make us part of his Bride.
5. Jesus wants to make us his sons and his daughters and He wants to live with us forever.
6. Jesus offers forgiveness of sin, an new heart, and a place in his kingdom to those who:
 - a. Believe in Jesus by putting their faith and trust in Him
 - b. Repent, turn from their sins, and do not hold anything back.
 - c. Deny themselves, take up their cross, follow Jesus, and are baptized
7. Anyone who receives Jesus is given His Spirit. If they stay connected to Jesus and open to His Spirit, they will be freed from guilt, given power over sin, and have the ability to live a new kind of life.
8. This free gift of salvation and relationship with God is not primarily about me. It is about God.

Jesus wants a people, a bride, a society of the redeemed, a church – one that will show the world what His kingdom is really like.

Jesus is the Head of the church. He wants His followers to live and fellowship together according to His teachings so that many more will want to love God and become part of His Kingdom.