



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Baptism** - Our next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. If you are interested in taking this step in your faith journey, please register on the App, website or out at the Info Table in the lobby. If you have any questions, please contact Rene Snyder at [rsnyder@southwinds.org](mailto:rsnyder@southwinds.org).

## MY STORY

**Share a time when you needed to partner/collaborate with someone to complete a project.**

## QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

## DIGGING DEEPER

**Have A Volunteer Read: Romans 1:1, Romans 11:36**

**Point #1: The gospel IS GOD'S GOOD NEWS.**

"Here's the first thing we learn about the gospel. It's the gospel of God. The gospel is from God. In other words, God is what the gospel is all about. It's the gospel of God. And this gospel is for the glory of God. The church did not create the gospel, the gospel created the church. The gospel is not an invention of man. It is the revelation of God. We must not edit it, or adjust it. We must just proclaim it."

– Michael Nolen

**How does God get the glory by us sharing the gospel?**

**Have Another Volunteer Read: Romans 1:2, John 5:39, Luke 24:44-46**

**Point #2: The gospel has always been GOD'S PLAN.**

**Why is it important to recognize that the entire OT has been pointing people to Jesus?**

### **Have Another Volunteer Read: Romans 1:3-4**

#### **Point #3: The gospel IS JESUS.**

“Paul is showing us, from the very beginning, how awesome Jesus is. And I pray this study would increase your affections for the risen Jesus. That you would love him more. The order of your loves determines the direction of your life. You have a lot of loves. We all do. It’s the order of those loves that determines the direction of your life. You do what you love. That’s why you sin... you actually love it, at some level. And what you need is a superior love. And the way we grow to love Christ more is to see him in his word, to understand more deeply who he is.” – **Michael Nolen**

#### **How has your love for Jesus changed how you live?**

### **Have Another Volunteer Read: Romans 1:5, 2 Corinthians 5:21**

#### **Point 4: The gospel demands that EVERYONE RESPONDS.**

“**Grace is offered.** – When we are called and we respond in faith, we receive grace and forgiveness of sins. That’s the good news! Something has been done so they holy God of the universe can have a relationship with us. That’s what Jesus accomplished for us through the cross and empty tomb.” – **Michael Nolen**

“**Obedience is required.** What does that mean? It means God’s gracious offer comes with a command. God is calling you to do something in response to the gospel. What’s he calling you to do? To obey it. And what does it mean to obey? It means to believe.” – **Michael Nolen**

#### **What is the gospel offering where a response is demanded?**

### **Have Another Volunteer Read: Romans 1:6-7**

#### **Point 5: The gospel IS GOD’S GRACIOUS GIFT TO US.**

“Paul speaks grace and peace to us. It’s grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. What a gracious gift the gospel is. So let me ask you... how are your responding to this gracious gift? Are you living in the obedience of faith? The Christian life is obedience to Jesus... born out of trust in Jesus. We do not obey Jesus, because we’re terrified of what he’ll do to us if we don’t. We obey Jesus, because we trust him, what he’s already done for us.” - **Michael Nolen**

#### **What is Jesus asking of you right now that you are hesitant to do?**

### **APPLICATION**

**Spend some time this week to remind yourself that you belong to Jesus and share it with someone else.**

### **PRAISES**

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**