

Series: Live by Faith

Title: The Gospel: The Power of God for Salvation to All Who Believe

Scripture: Romans 1:16-17

April Memory Verse & 2025 Theme Scripture: Romans 1:16-17 (ESV) For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

The Bible/Scriptures is God's primary way of revealing Himself to us.

## How to understand the Bible:

(Sword Method)

- 1) POINT What does this passage tell us about God?
- 2) HILT/GRIP What does this passage tell us about man?
- 3) BLADE 1 Are there promises to trust and commands to obey?
- 4) BLADE 2 Are there sins to avoid/any warnings?
- 5) GUARD/TANG What will I do after reading this today? How do I repent?

## (HEAR Method)

- 1) Highlight
- 2) Explain
- 3) Apply
- 4) Respond

# What is the gospel?

- God created us to be with Him;
- Our sins separate us from God;
- Sins cannot be removed by good deeds or human effort;
- Paying the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again;
- Everyone who trusts in Him alone has eternal life;
- Life with Jesus starts now and lasts forever

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The GOSPEL is the POWER OF GOD!



#### What is the power of God?

- The gospel is God's power to create; to redeem; to heal; to bring back from the dead.
- THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD TO REDEEM AND RESTORE. (1 Cor. 15:53-58)
  TO REDEEM US FROM SIN AND RESTORE LIFE FROM DEATH.

#### Who is the gospel (the power of God) for?

• Everyone who believes in God the Son, Jesus. (Acts 1:8; Eph. 3:20; 2 Cor. 12:9; 2 Tim. 1:7)

## What does the gospel do?

- The Gospel reveals the righteousness of God. (v. 17)
- The Gospel gives people faith. (v. 17)
- The Gospel empowers believers to live by faith. (v. 17)

What is faith? (Heb. 11:1-6)

Saving faith is active dependence on what can be known about God through Christ.

Do you believe the gospel? Are you living in the power of God? Do you have faith?

So What? What does this mean for Parkway?

Our vision statement: We are real people walking with Christ, inviting others, and serving together to reach our neighbors and the nations with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

