

you never sinned, and consequently never made one gash in the bough, we might tolerate your trusting to it; but since you have cut at it again and again, and it is ready even now to snap beneath you, we pray you leave it for a surer resting place. All reliance on self in any form or shape is gross folly. Feelings, works, prayers, almsgivings, religious observances, are all too feeble to support a sinful soul. "Other foundation can no man lay than is laid—Jesus Christ the righteous." "Whosoever believeth in Him is not condemned." "He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing that He ever liveth to make intercession for them." Trust Jesus, and He will never fail you.—*Spurgeon*.

Decision is at the turn of the Y, and from that point evil and good grow ever farther apart. There is no middle track.

OUTLINES FOR BIBLE STUDY No. 5.

THE "GOSPEL" ACCORDING TO PAUL.

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I.

- It is the "Gospel of God."—Rom. i. 1.
- It is the "Gospel of the blessed God."—1 Tim. i. 11.
- It is the "Gospel of His Son."—Rom. i. 9.
- It is the "Glorious Gospel."—2 Cor. iv. 4.
- It is the "Gospel of Salvation."—Eph. i. 13.
- It is the "Gospel of Peace."—Eph. vi. 15.
- It brings life and immortality to light.—2 Tim. i. 10.
- To the blessed hope of immortality men are "begotten through the Gospel."—1 Cor. iv. 15.

II.

- Paul was "Separated unto the Gospel."—Rom. i. 1.
- Paul was "Put in trust with the Gospel."—1 Thess. ii. 4.
- Paul was "Not ashamed of the Gospel."—Rom. i. 16.

- Paul was "Ready to preach the Gospel."—Rom. i. 15.
 - Paul was "Bold to preach the Gospel."—1 Thess. ii. 2.
 - Paul had "Fully preached the Gospel."—Rom. xv. 19.
 - Paul had "Freely preached the Gospel."—2 Cor. xi. 7.
- At the same time, he felt that no credit was due to him for so doing; and he writes: "Though I PREACH THE GOSPEL, I have nothing to glory of; . . . yea, woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."—1 Cor. ix. 16.

III.

- We should be "subject unto the Gospel."—2 Cor. ix. 13.
- We "should be shod with the preparation of the Gospel."—Eph. vi. 15.
- Our "conversation should be as becometh the Gospel."—Phil. i. 27.
- We "should not be moved away from the hope of the Gospel."—Col. i. 23.
- We should "have fellowship in the Gospel."—Phil. i. 5.
- We "should share in the afflictions of the Gospel."—2 Tim. i. 8.
- Those afflictions at times help to "further the Gospel."—Phil. i. 2.

IV.

- The Gospel may be preached in weakness.—Gal. iv. 13.
- The preaching of the Gospel may be considered as foolishness.—1. Cor. i. 18.
- But it is God's plan for the salvation of man.—1 Cor. i. 21-29.
- It must be preached, if men are to be saved; and the work of the preacher is a glorious work.—Rom. x. 13-15.
- We must ever bear in mind that there is but one true Gospel.—Gal. i. 8, 9.

V.

- Men may "hinder the Gospel."—1 Cor. ix. 12.
- Some men are "enemies to the Gospel."—Rom. xi. 28.
- Some men "pervert the Gospel."—Gal. i. 7.
- The Gospel is hidden from some.—2 Cor. iv. 3.
- Some do not obey the Gospel.—Rom. x. 16.
- Such disobedience will be punished.—2 Thess. i. 8.
- For men will be judged by the Gospel.—Rom. ii. 16.