

Proverb 25:11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

Proverb 25:25 As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.

Isaiah 50:4

The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary...

Ecclesiastes 12:10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth.

John 1:22

Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?

1 Peter 3:15

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

TOO OFTEN WE'RE ANSWERING QUESTIONS THE LOST WORLD IS NOT ASKING.

TOO OFTEN WE'RE NOT LISTENING.
OR WE'RE SIMPLY LAZY.

THE GOSPEL NEEDS CONTEXT.

WE ARE NOT JUST RESPONSIBLE
FOR GIVING THE GOSPEL, BUT ALSO
TO EXPLAIN THE "WHY" OF
THE GOSPEL AS WELL.

DELIVER THE COMPLETE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

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WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?
WHY IS THE GOSPEL NECESSARY?

WE ARE HOPING FOR ALL PEOPLE TO BE CONFRONTED WITH THE FACT THAT THEY ARE SINNERS, SEPARATED FROM GOD

ISAIAH 59:1-2

Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: 2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid [his] face from you, that he will not hear.

GALATIANS 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

KEY POINT

TO BE SAVED WE MUST FIRST REALIZE WE'RE LOST



WITHOUT SIN THERE IS NO NEED FOR A SAVIOR

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WITHOUT MAN'S FALLING AWAY THERE IS NO NEED FOR GOD'S WORK OF REDEMPTION AND RECONCILIATION THROUGH CHRIST

DON'T ASSUME "THEY" KNOW THE "STORIES"
IN FACT THE CREATION TO CHRIST SERIES PRE-SUPPOSES
THAT PEOPLE DID NOT GROW UP KNOWING THE BIBLE

WITHOUT SIN THERE IS NO NEED FOR A SAVIOR

THE SERIES DOESN'T BEGIN WITH JOHN 3:16 OR ROMANS ROAD

IT DOESN'T START WITH CHRIST DIED FOR YOU

IT BEGINS WITH THE FACT THAT THERE IS ONE TRUE GOD

ACTS 15:18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

EPHESIANS 3:1-3

For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, 2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: 3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery...

EPHESIANS 3:5-6

Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; 6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

EPHESIANS 3:9

And to make all [men] see what [is] the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

WARREN WIERSBE

"THE SACRIFICIAL DEATH OF HIS SON WAS NOT AN ACCIDENT, IT WAS AN APPOINTMENT."

KEY POINT

OUR CREATION COMES WITH GREAT PURPOSE AND SIGNIFICANCE

WE WERE NOT CREATED ON A WHIM,
BUT RATHER MAN WAS CREATED TO BRING
GLORY, HONOR AND PRAISE TO GOD

REVELATION 12:3-4

And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. 4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth...

LUKE 10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

ISAIAH 14:12-13

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

ISAIAH 14:14-15

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

TO PRAISE AND REFLECT/REFRACT GOD'S GREAT IMAGE THROUGHOUT THE HEAVENS

THE CREATION TO CHRIST STUDY IS NOT ABOUT "GETTING SOMEONE TO HEAVEN".

IT'S REVEALING THAT GOD WANTS
TO BE RECONCILED TO MAN.

THERE IS A PURPOSE TO YOUR EXISTENCE.

LANDMARK STEPS TO UNDERSTANDING THE GOSPEL

- 1. GOD
- 2. CREATION
- 3. FALL OF MAN
- 4. LAW

- 5. FAILURE OF THE LAW
- 6. CHRIST
- 7. CROSS
- 8. RESURRECTION