

Easter Sunday 2017

The Gospel - Romans 1:16

What is the Gospel? 1:17 – “This good News tells us how God makes us right in His sight.”

1. Christ Lived

a. **A Preface to the Greatest Story Ever Told - Luke 3:1-2** - Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip was tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene,² in the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John, the son of Zacharias, in the wilderness.

b. **I John 1:1, 3**

2. Christ Died

a. **Luke 22:19-20** - ¹⁹ And when He had taken *some* bread *and* given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” ²⁰ And in the same way *He took* the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.

b. When you read the Gospel accounts, one overwhelming truth comes to you is Jesus’ death was not an accident or a surprise! Jesus meant to die! He claimed to give His life for us! Somehow His death meant a new relationship with God for us.

3. Christ Rose

a. **John 20:1-18**

b. His death was for us... so was His resurrection!

i. Ephesians 4:8-10

ii. Romans 5:18-19

4. Our Choice – Believe!