

The Content and Consequences of the Gospel
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
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Order of Worship

Preparing our Hearts: If you arrive a little early, prepare your heart for worship by reading and thinking about this text:

- *God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Rom. 5:8 ESV)*

Call to Worship:

- God calls us to worship
 - “Famous One”
- We humbly respond with praise
 - Revelation 15:3-4
 - “Behold Our God”

Gospel Assurance:

- Our need for Jesus
 - Psalm 78:19-22
- God’s grace
 - Revelation 7:13-17
 - “Rejoice”
 - “Blessed Assurance”

What we Believe: As a church we want to affirm our unity in what we believe.

- *We believe that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Amen. (Based on 1 Corinthians 15:3-7)*

Prayer: We bring our requests to the Lord through Jesus Christ.

Church Life/Greeting: In Christ, we live and fellowship together as believers. We take time to learn what is going on in our church, and to greet one another as we worship.

Prayer for Understanding: We pray that God will open our hearts and minds to the preaching of His Word.

Sermon:

- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Lord's Supper: In taking communion together, we remember the death of Christ as we proclaim it to one another as we consume the elements.

- "Before The Throne Of God"

Praise to God (Doxology): We end our time of worship together as we resound in praises together.

- "Blest Be The Lamb"

God Blesses: We go into the world this week with God's blessings as He enables us to serve Him.

- 2 Thessalonians 3:18

Growth Group Questions

1. Why do you think even Christians sometimes struggle with defining the Gospel? How have you struggled with this?
2. What do you find most striking about Paul's summary of the Gospel in this text? Why?
3. How does Paul's story illustrate the power of the Gospel?
4. In what ways do you struggle with doubting the power of the Gospel? How can you fight against this?
5. We know that unbelievers need to hear the Gospel, and Christians need to know how to share the Gospel, but why do *Christians* continually need the Gospel in their walks with the Lord? Share an example from your life that illustrates our ongoing need for the Gospel.

Next Week: 1 Corinthians 15:12-34