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Matthew 16:13-18

13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" 14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell will not overcome it."

Galatians 1:6-9

6 I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ and are <u>turning to a different</u> <u>gospel</u>— 7 which is really <u>no gospel at all</u>. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are <u>trying to pervert the gospel of Christ</u>. 8 But <u>even if we or an angel</u> from heaven should <u>preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned!</u> 9 As we have already said, so now I say again: <u>If anybody</u> is <u>preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted</u>, let him be eternally condemned!

The gospel is the story of...

1. GOD CREATING

Genesis 1:26-28

26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness..." 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. 28 God blessed them...

2. MAN FALLING

Genesis 3:1-5

I... [The serpent] said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."" 4 "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Romans 3:23

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

3. CHRIST REDEEMING

Galatians 3:13

13 <u>Christ redeemed us from the curse</u> of the law <u>by becoming a curse for us,</u>

Romans 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 5:6-9

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

4. NEW CREATION

2 Corinthians 5:17

17 Therefore, <u>if anyone is in Christ</u>, <u>he is a new creation</u>; the old has gone, the new has come!