



MONTGOMERY METRO MINISTERS UNION

PRESENTATION

THE GOSPEL



It's History, Relevance, and Necessity

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THE GOSPEL



1 PROPHESED



4 PROCLAIMED



2 PERSONIFIED



5 PRESERVED



3 PERSECUTED





The Gospel: the source of our salvation, the standard of our preaching, and the strength of our endurance.

Quote:

"The Gospel is not about making bad people good but about making dead people alive." — Dr. Tony Evans



1 PROPHESED – The Journey of the Gospel Foretold

Isaiah 53:5 (KJV)



- Covenant in Promise – Genesis 3:15, God's covenant with Abraham, Moses, and David
- Captured in Patterns – Sacrificial system pointing to Christ (Passover lamb, burnt offerings)
- Confirmed by Prophets – Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 9:6, Isaiah 53

Quote:

"The New Testament is in the Old concealed; the Old Testament is in the New revealed."

– Augustine



2 PERSONIFIED – The Journey of the Gospel Fulfilled

John 1:14 (KJV)



- Christ Came – Fulfilled prophecy, born of a virgin in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)
- Christ Conquered – Miracles, authority over sickness, demons, nature
- Christ Carried the Cross – Death, resurrection, and victory over sin

Quote:

"The essence of the Gospel is that God meets us where we are and brings us where we ought to be."

— Dr. Gardner C. Taylor



3 PERSECUTED – The Journey of the Gospel Under Fire

Matthew 27:22-23 (KJV)



- Challenged by Leaders – Rejected by religious rulers and Roman officials
- Corrupted by Lies/Heresy – False teachings (Gnosticism, Arianism) attacked the truth
- Confirmed at Nicaea – Church leaders stood for Jesus' divinity (325 AD)

Quote:

"The Son of God became man so that we might become sons of God."
— Athanasius



COUNCIL OF NICAEA:

➤ THE CALL

- In 325 AD, Emperor Constantine called over 300 Christian bishops to Nicaea.
- The church faced confusion over Christ's identity was He fully divine or just a created being?
- The goal was to confirm Christ's true nature and combat heresy.

➤ THE CONFLICT

- A priest named Arius taught that Jesus was not fully God but a created being.
- Church leaders, led by Athanasius, stood firm Jesus is co-equal, co-eternal, and co-existent with God.
- The council produced the Nicene Creed, declaring Christ as "begotten, not made" and "of one substance with the Father."

➤ THE CONFIRMATION

- They defended doctrine, stating Jesus is fully God and fully man.
- They denounced deception, rejecting Arius' false teaching.
- They delivered a declaration, shaping Christian belief for generations.

John 1:1 KJV – In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

4 PROCLAIMED – The Gospel Preached to the World

Matthew 28:19 (KJV)



- Power at Pentecost – The Holy Spirit moved, and 3,000 were saved (Acts 2)
- Preached to People – Paul carried the Gospel across nations
- Persecution Pushed It – The church grew despite opposition

Quote:

"The Gospel at its best deals with the whole man. Not only his soul, but his body. Not only his spiritual well-being, but his material well-being."

— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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PRESERVED – The Gospel Stands Today

Romans 10:13 (KJV)



- **Saves Sinners – No one is too lost for Jesus to reach**
- **Strengthens Saints – The Word keeps us in hard times**
- **Secures the Church – When we hold to the Gospel, we won't be shaken**

Quote:

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation..."

– Romans 1:16





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THE END

**KEEP
PREACHING
THE GOSPEL**



ROMANS 1:16 (KJV)

"FOR I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST: FOR IT IS THE POWER OF GOD UNTO SALVATION TO EVERY ONE THAT BELIEVETH."