

The Message

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How Did Jesus Present the Gospel?

Mark 1:14-15

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Old Testament Saints Were Saved by Grace through Faith; Not by the Law

There has always been only one way of salvation and Jesus preached it by “saying, ‘the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.’”



Here Is How Jesus Presented the Gospel:

Jesus said, “unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 5:20).

“... unless you repent you will all likewise perish. (Luke 13:3).



Three Cases

A Certain Lawyer

A Rich Young Ruler

The Samaritan Woman



A Certain Lawyer

Luke 10:25-29

And behold, a **certain lawyer** stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”



The Rich Young Ruler

Matthew 19:16-22

“Good Teacher, what good things shall I do that I may have eternal life?”



The Samaritan Woman

John 4:7-15

“How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?”



The Samaritan Woman

“If you knew the gift of God”



Living Water

“He would have given you living water.”



Using the Law

Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.”



The Denomination Excuse

And do not think you can say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our father” (Matthew 3:9).



Neither Here Nor There

Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father.”



Salvation Is of the Jews

You worship what you do not know;
We know what we worship, for salvation is of the
Jews.



True Worshipers

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.



Hell's Best Kept Secret:

Using the Law Like Jesus Did



The Dangers of Decisionism

“It is impossible ... if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance” (Hebrews 6:4-6).



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