

PULPIT CURRICULUM

The Heart of the Gospel
1 Corinthians 15:1-9; Luke 23:32-43

"I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Corinthians 15:1-9. What are the basic facts of the gospel? (vv.3-4) What are the conditions for experiencing the gospel? (vv.1-2)

Read Luke 23:32-43. What are the five critical steps to experiencing the gospel? (Write them in order in the Assess Your Life section.)

Consider each step; How would it affect your understanding of the gospel if you did not experience each step? Which step is the biggest obstacle that keeps people from experiencing the gospel?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Which steps have been obstacles in your life? Is there one step that currently hinders you from fully living out the gospel? What events or people have played the biggest role in your faith progress?



3 APPLY THE TRUTH

If you were to die today, how sure are you that you would go to heaven? On a scale of 0-100%? Why?

How does the gospel make a practical difference in your life?

Is there an area where God's word says one thing, but your desire leads you to disobedience? Are you giving weight to God in your life?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

Choose a circumstance or area in your life where you need help living out the gospel. Follow the five steps for experiencing the heart of the gospel.

Fear God, Repent of sinful thoughts or behaviors, Believe God's word, Ask for His help and Rest on His Promises.