

The good news!

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved... For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

The good news is a story



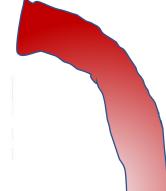
According to the scriptures





Christ – the life





the resurrection





the death





The life of the God-man





A dreamer from Nazareth...

- Forgiving sins Matthew 9:1-8
- Healing sicknesses
- Telling us to "Love one another" John 13:34, 15:12, 17

Claiming...

- To represent God, his Father John 14:9
- That God, our Father, isn't angry with us,
 but is waiting for us Luke 15:11-32
- That God loves to give us good things Luke 11:13, 12:32

But was he telling us the truth? or was it "Fake News"!



The death of the God-man





Why did Jesus die? Let's allow Jesus to tell us...

- To fulfil Passover
 - It's the time he chose to die for us John 13:1
 - To lead a great exodus Exodus 12
 - To lead us out of death and into life Luke 9:31
- To reproduce himself John 12:23-26
- To enable us to follow him without fear John 13:31-35
 - He believed his sacrifice would draw us all John 12:32
- To show us how much he loved his Father John 14:28-31

A noble gesture, but futile without the...



The resurrection of the God-man





What difference does it make?

- It proves he was right!
 - He is the Son of God
 - We are loved by the Father
 - He will give his Spirit to those who ask
- It frees us from the power of sin − 1 Corinthians 15:17
- It frees us from the fear of death Hebrews 2:14-15
- As we follow him & share his faith in our Father
 - He dwelt in the bosom of the Father John 1:18
 - That's the place he's prepared for us! John 14:1-3





All according to the scriptures!

Without...

- Genesis we would never have known
 - Why the world is in such a mess
 - We were created in God's image, to be like him
 - But we chose independence, to be orphans
 - God still loves working with people to save the world
- Exodus we would never have understood
 - God loves to rescue the oppressed, those living in fear
 - God wants to live with us

...time does not permit today to tell of all the wondrous ways in which the Old Testament prepares us to see Jesus as God's Son, our Saviour.



Resurrection: God rescues the orphans

We, and so all of creation, are set free and re-united to our God and Father



God's anger was appeased, as creation is rescued

The Devil was defeated, his hold over us broken

