THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL



The Trinity = We believe in one God that exists in three persons

- 1. God the Father
- 2. God the Son
- 3. And God the Holy Spirit

<u>John 16:7 (ESV)</u>

7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you.

Jesus is telling those who walked closely with Him that having the Holy Spirit is even more advantageous.

I am fully convinced, my dear brothers and sisters, that you are full of goodness. You know these things so well you can teach each other all about them.

Romans 15:14

<u>Galatians 5:22–23 (ESV)</u>

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Fruit = evidence based results, proofs, or what the spirit produces in you. A growing sense of goodness is evidence of the spirits presence in you.

Goodness is more than doing what's right, its doing what's right for the right reason and with the right heart

Hebrews 5:12 (ESV)

12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God.

There is a difference between hearers and doers of God's word.

Information... is not what leads to transformation.

It's information + application + the presence of the HS is where real transformation is found.

That word instruct = encouraging, warning, and advising

It has strong ties to the idea of wise counsel.

Even so, I have been bold enough to write about some of these points, knowing that all you need is this reminder. For by God's grace, I am a special messenger from Christ Jesus to you Gentiles. I bring you the Good News so that I might present you as an acceptable offering to God, made holy by the Holy Spirit. So I have reason to be enthusiastic about all Christ Jesus has done through me in my service to God. Yet I dare not boast about anything except what Christ has done through me, bringing the Gentiles to God by my message and by the way I worked among them.

Romans 15:15-18

Paul points out the importance of repetition, repentance, and reminders.

You can study the Bible everyday for your entire life and never exhaust the treasure it holds.

Sanctification is the process of the Holy Spirit molding us and shaping us into the likeness of Christ.

They were convinced by the power of miraculous signs and wonders and by the power of God's Spirit. In this way, I have fully presented the Good News of Christ from Jerusalem all the way to Illyricum.

Romans 15:19-21

My ambition has always been to preach the Good News where the name of Christ has never been heard, rather than where a church has already been started by someone else. I have been following the plan spoken of in the Scriptures, where it says,

"Those who have never been told about him will see,

and those who have never heard of him will understand."