EPISODE 2: THE GOSPEL

What is your church all about? Gospel, community, mission

- Gospel: Good news. Everyone that deals with the church has some answer to this question.
- What we are saved from, what saves us, and what we are saved to.
- I Cor 15:1-4
- Explain the text.

First importance.

- The story- cfrr
- Christ died for our sins, rose from the dead.
- A historical event. A declaration of what God has accomplished.

What is it? vs works and religion.

- I obey therefore I am accepted, I am accepted because of what Christ has done, therefore I obey.

Vs. modern ideas.

- Self help
- Pyschological health, learning to love yourself.
- Prosperity gospel
- Cultural change, social health
- Political change
- Moral code for good living.
- Modern American moralistic view.

How is my relationship with God? How am I doing this week? Am I a christian Trying...

So What?

- Faith in the gospel is prerequisite to be a christian and to be a member of FGC.
- Church membership is not a way to win favor with God.
- The gospel is based on the word, and it centers around Jesus and him crucified.
- Not just the abc's, but the entire story of Scripture.
- We don't move past this.
- Remind, in which we stand, being saved, hold fast
- We constantly focus on this in fresh ways. Simple but not simplistic

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What does it mean to be gospel centered.

- 3 key priorities: Gospel, community and mission.
- I Cor 15
- In which you stand, by which you are being saved.
- The gospel is the core element of our walk with God
- It is the center of all theology.
- It is the big story that makes sense of every little story.
- It is the way we grow.