



Steadfast in the Gospel

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

The Gospel (“good news)

1 Corinthians 15:1-2 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

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2 Thess. 1:7-8

“when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, ⁸ in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those **who do not obey the gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Many deny there are commands

- **Martin Luther** – “But the gospel is such doctrine of the word of God that neither requires our works nor commands us to do anything, but announces the offered grace of the forgiveness of sin and eternal salvation. Here we do nothing, but only receive what is offered through the word.”
- **Calvinism** teaches there is nothing we can do.
- Then what does it mean to “obey the gospel”?
- To “obey not the gospel” brings serious consequences.

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Mark 16:15-16

“Go into all the world and preach the **gospel** to every creature. ¹⁶ He who **believes** and **is baptized** will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

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1. **Believe**
2. **Be Baptized**
3. **Matthew 28:20**
“teaching them to observe **all things that I have commanded you**”

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Acts 18:8 “And many of the Corinthians, hearing, **believed** and were **baptized.**”

1 Cor 14:37

“things which I write to you are the **commandments of the Lord.**” (14:37)

Baptism is related to..

- **The FACTS of the Gospel**

1. **Romans 6:3-4** *“Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life”*

- **The PROMISES of the Gospel** (All or for those **IN** Christ)

2 Timothy 2:10, 1 Thessalonians 4:16; Revelation 14:13

We are baptized “into Christ” (Romans 6:3, Gal. 3:27).

The Corinthians received the gospel

- Believed the **Facts** of the gospel.
- Hoped for the **Promises** of the gospel.
- Obeyed the **Commands** of the gospel.

Have you obeyed the Gospel?

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