

# Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

One of the most critical aspects in the life of a follower of Jesus Christ is to be covered daily with the reminder of the sacrificial death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ for our freedom. We all must become preachers to an audience of one (ourselves) first and foremost to wash ourselves daily in the truth that sets us free.

## Remind yourself daily that God is holy:

- He is absolutely pure, perfect and just. Sin cannot be in His presence.



## Remind yourself daily of the problem:

- "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." **Romans 3:23**
- "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." **Romans 6:23**
- "But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." **Isaiah 59:2**
- Remind yourself how once you were a slave to sin, lost and without hope.

## Remind yourself daily of God's answer to that problem:

*Jesus Christ died on the Cross and rose from the grave. He paid the penalty for our sin and bridged the gap between God and people.*

- "For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ." **1 Timothy 2:5**
- "For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." **1 Peter 3:18**
- "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." **Romans 5:8**
- "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." **John 3:16**

## Remind yourself daily of what Jesus' sinless life and death purchased for you:

- **Forgiveness** - Jesus' blood was shed and His body broken to cleanse you from all your sin, past, present and future. You are freed from the penalty and power of sin.
- **Redemption** – Jesus paid the price to free you from slavery to sin. He bought you back.
- **Reconciliation** – Jesus restored your relationship to God by removing your hostility toward God and His wrath toward you.
- **Propitiation** – Jesus satisfied God's wrath by taking the penalty you deserved.
- **Justification** – In God's court, your sins were credited to His account, so you are declared "not guilty." And His righteousness was credited to you. Now you are counted in God's sight as having perfectly obeyed the law of God.
- **Adoption** – Jesus' death purchased family status for every believer, and through him God has become your Father. You have all the rights of "sonship" and share in His inheritance.

**Remind yourself daily and believe the precious promises of God's Word:**

• **Psalm 103:10-12 (NLT)**

10 He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. 11 For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. 12 He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.

• **Isaiah 1:18 (NLT)**

18 "Come now, let's settle this," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool.

• **Isaiah 53:6 (NLT)**

6 All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

• **Micah 7:19 (NLT)**

19 Once again you will have compassion on us. You will trample our sins under your feet and throw them into the depths of the ocean!

