

What Is the Gospel?
The Gospel and the Kingdom
Philippians 3:17-21

We are a society that loves awards. We love recognition. We have created and validated an entertainment industry that even rewards its self. Every kid on every team, win or lose, gets a trophy at the end of the season. This worldview seems to have created a disconnect between the reward and the time, energy, and effort that is needed in order to obtain it.

Main Idea: Our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

1. The kingdom marks God's redemptive reign.
2. The kingdom has been inaugurated in Christ.
3. The kingdom will be established in Christ's return.

We have simplified the gospel into five easy to remember points: holy god, sinful man, Christ the Savior, our response, and the coming kingdom. The first coming of Jesus sealed for us God's redemptive plan for His creation. The second coming of Jesus will end life as we know it. History will end. Heroes will change. A new kingdom will be established, and we will live in the presence and fellowship of the God who created us just for that purpose...if we believe.