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Marks of a Healthy Church: Magnifying the Gospel

What is the Gospel? (www.9marks.org)

The good news is that:

- The one and only God who is holy made us in his image to know him. (Gen. 1:26-28).
- But we sinned and cut ourselves off from him (Gen. 3; Rom. 3:23).
- In his great love, God became a man in Jesus, lived a perfect life, and died on the cross, thus fulfilling the law himself and taking on himself the punishment for the sins of all those who would ever turn from their sin and trust in him (John 1:14; Heb. 7:26; Rom. 3:21-26, 5:12-21).
- He rose again from the dead, showing that God accepted Christ's sacrifice and that God's wrath against us had been exhausted (Acts 2:24, Rom. 4:25).
- He now calls us to repent of our sins and trust in Christ alone for our forgiveness (Acts 17:30, John 1:12). If we repent of our sins and trust in Christ, we are born again into a new life, an eternal life with God (John 3:16).
- He is gathering one new people to himself among all those who submit to Christ as Lord (Matt. 16:15-19; Eph. 2:11-19).

How should I respond to the Gospel?

I Corinthians 15:1-11:

(vs. 1-2) You must proclaim the Gospel faithfully.

(vs. 3-7) You must explain the Gospel correctly.

(vs. 8-11) You must embrace the Gospel humbly.