

Overcoming Spiritual Blindness

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- Gamaliel was Paul's teacher, prior to Paul's conversion....
- **1Corinthians 2:14**

Two: Evidences of Gamaliel's Spiritual Blindness

- He refused to believe the witness of the Spirit thru Apostles

Three: Causes of Spiritual Blindness

- John.3:19-20, Matt.23:23-25, 2Cor.4:3-4, John 12:37-40,
- Spiritual Blindness Happens because men:
 - 1) Men Commit Wicked Deeds
 - 2) Men Love darkness in which to hide their wickedness
 - 3) Men are Self-righteous
 - 4) The Devil blinds the eyes of the unbeliever to keep from believing
 - 5) God also blinds the eyes of the unrepentant & hardened.

Four: Overcoming Spiritual Blindness

- Matt.11:25,
- Psalm 146:7,
- Isaiah 42:6-7,
- Luke 4:17-19,
- John 8:12,
- Matt.5:14,
- Acts 26:16-18

The Simple Message of the Gospel – For Further Reading:

- God is holy, righteous, just and good.
 - Exod.15:11, Lev.11:44
- God designed & created us to experience un-hindered joy and delight, by glorifying Him thru obedience to Him & His Word.
 - Isa.43:7, Psa.16:11
- We have all, from Adam to us, disobeyed God, and failed to glorify Him, as we were created to.
 - Ecc.7:20, Rom.3:23
- God has justly condemned us to eternal death because we have disobeyed Him.
 - Eze.18:4, 1Cor.6:9-10, Rom.6:23

But, the Good News of the Gospel is:

- Jesus Christ has come: He is truly God & truly man, the only, unique Son of God, perfect sinless & spotless.
 - Phil.2:8-11, Heb.1:6-9, Heb.4:15
- Jesus Christ has taken our sin on Himself. He suffered and died on a cross to absorb God's wrath against us, in our place.
 - 2Cor.5:21, Rom.3:21-26
- Jesus Christ has been raised from death, proving He is the Son of God.
 - Joh.20:1-10, 1Cor.15:1-6, Rom.4:20-25
- Jesus Christ now calls us all:
 - to turn away from sin, Mar.1:14-15
 - to trust Him fully, Joh.3:16
 - to follow Him, Luke.9:23-26
- Come to Christ, trusting God to keep His Promises, Rom.4:24-25
- Come in Obedience to Jesus Call,
 - Mark 1:14-15
- Come and find rest for your soul,
 - Matt.28:11-12
- Come, seek the Lord diligently & you'll find Him.
 - Heb.11:1, 6

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