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# The Powerful Truth of the Gospel

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**The gospel must be personally received and continually held fast — it is a lifeline, not a one-time decision**

*1 Corinthians 15:1-2*

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*The truth of the gospel transforms the lives of those who receive it.*

at 3:13

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## The gospel is of first importance above every other concern in the Christian life

*1 Corinthians 15:3*

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*The gospel is not just something we hear and we receive. It's something we stand in. We hold fast to it. It isn't just a one-time decision but it's a lifelong trust. The gospel is the lifeline for the believer.*

at 8:41

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**The resurrection of Jesus Christ is confirmed by Old Testament prophecy and over 500 eyewitnesses, making it a historical reality, not wishful thinking**

*1 Corinthians 15:4-8*

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*The resurrection is not wishful thinking. It was confirmed by hundreds of witnesses who not only stake their lives on the veracity of it, but many of them died for it because they had seen the risen Christ. It's not a blind faith. It's a historical reality.*

at 20:40

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**Grace is not merely unmerited favor but the active power of God that empowers believers to live faithful, bold lives**

*1 Corinthians 15:10*

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*Grace is the action, power, or influence, or force of God's disposition. It comes from him because that's who he is, which produces real practical outcomes in our lives.*

at 23:45

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**The transforming power of the gospel is demonstrated in Paul's radical conversion from persecutor to apostle**

*1 Corinthians 15:9-10*

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*The measure of our life is not in its duration, but in its donation.*

at 25:51