

A Traveler's Guide: Gospel Fluent Thinking

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Rom 1:16-17; 1 Jn 1:9; Psalm 145

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What is the Gospel?

- Rom 1;16-17, Not a set of works but FAITH
- We have been saved from the penalty of sin because of Jesus' life and death
- We are being saved from the power of sin because of Jesus' resurrection
- We will be saved from the presence of sin because of Jesus' return
- Key element of Gospel Faith is IDENTITY in Christ Rom 3:21-25 what God has done

How to stay Gospel Fluent: Fruit to Root Exercise Gal 5:19-25

1. What am I doing or experiencing right now?
2. In light of what I'm doing or experiencing, what do I believe about myself?
3. What do I believe God is doing or has done?
4. What do I believe God is like?

How to be Gospel Fluent, Root to Gospel Fruit:

1. Who is God? *Think God's Character*
2. What has God done? *Think God's Sure Work for me!*
3. Who am I in light of God's work? *Think 'My New identity in the Gospel'*
4. How should I then live in light of who I am?

Think God's Commands are not burdensome

Don't Forget your Gospel Identity:

Who is God?	What has God done?	Who am I?	How do I then live?
Father	Adopted us	Family	As family, we love God and one another
Spirit	Sent us	Ambassador	As ambassadors, we follow the Spirit as we share and show the good news of Jesus
Son	Purchased us	Servant	As Servants, we serve King Jesus and serve others as a foretaste of coming Kingdom

Four G's for Gospel Living:

God is **Great**..... *so I don't have to be in control*

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. Ps 145:3

God is **Glorious**..... *so I do not have to fear others*

On the glorious splendor of your majesty, on your wondrous works, I will meditate. Ps 145:5

God is **Good**..... *so I don't have to look elsewhere*

The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. Ps 145:9

God is **Gracious**..... *so I don't have to prove myself*

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Ps 145:8

Gospel Living: How does your moment-by-moment life reflect Jesus?

1. How does the gospel bring good news to this situation?
2. What about the gospel do we need to hear right now?
3. What about the gospel have we forgotten or failed to believe?
4. How is Jesus better than what we have or what we want?

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