

Study Guide to Greg Gilbert's
What is the Gospel?
Chapter 3

Read: Chapter 3

In the course of this study you were asked to commit this simple gospel presentation structure to memory: God, man, Christ, and response. This chapter deals with the second part of that structure: man.

Q: Define sin. How would you explain sin to someone who does not properly understand the term? Use Scripture.

Q: We have a way of downplaying our sins. We justify and excuse them. Why must a person recognize the seriousness of their sins in order to have a proper understanding of the gospel?

Q: This chapter deals with more than individual acts of sin. It addresses human nature itself. What does a person need to understand about themselves in order to be saved?

Q: What are the consequences of our sin? In other words, what does God do to us because of our sin?

Q: Should we talk about judgment when we present the gospel or should we skip over that subject? Is it proper or improper to discuss the wrath of God against sinners when proclaiming the gospel? Defend your answer. Use Scripture.

Project: At the beginning of this study you were asked to imagine a person that had never heard the gospel before. You wrote down what you would tell them. You put together a summary of what they would need to know in order to be saved. This was revised in the last lesson. Look back at that now, especially what you wrote about that person or mankind in general. What adjustments, clarification, or additions would you make to the section about man? Rewrite your gospel presentation again.