

Essentials Group,

As you prepare for week 4 here is some info for you.

We met Sunday night and had a great opening lesson on what was proclaimed by the Apostles as they were planting the first churches. We only got through about half of the gospel passages, but more on that below...

Some asked about the “homework” assigned before class. The design was not to make it homework, but rather reading to help prepare you for the conversation we would have. It is to help you learn more quickly, and learn more content, but it is not required. The passages you get via email will be the same passages we cover together. If you want to prepare for the conversation you can read up ahead of time. If not, show up and we will work through them together.

This Sunday, we will pick off where we left off. Week 4 (Oct. 13th) will go through the second half of the gospel proclamation passages. Week 5 (Oct. 20th) will work through the teaching passages.

Here are the passages we covered last Sunday:

Acts 2:36

Romans 1:1–7

Romans 4:24–25

Romans 8:11

Romans 10:9–10

1 Corinthians 8:6

1 Corinthians 12:3

Galatians 1:1–5

Here are passages that we will look at this coming Sunday:

Philippians 2:5–11

Colossians 1:9–10

Colossians 2:9–15

1 Timothy 2:5

2 Timothy 2:8

1 Peter 1:1–5

1 Peter 3:18

The questions we are asking are:

- 1. What does the passage teach us about what God, Jesus, and/or the Holy Spirit, has accomplished on our behalf (gospel)?*
- 2. Do we see any categories emerging that we can put these truths into?*

After we work through the above passages, I will make sure to do a longer intro on the teaching passages (what we are to do in response to our belief).

I hope this helps you as you study.

Blessings!
Pastor Jeff