

Essentials Group,

We had a great conversation last Sunday evening about the core doctrines contained in the gospel. We also used the 8 categories from the week prior to see these core doctrines as “buckets” or categories that we can learn to understand the gospel better.

8 Gospel Categories

Prophecy/Promise	Resurrection
Incarnation	Bodily Ascension
Sinless Life	Giving of the Spirit
Vicarious Death	Visible Return

NEXT SUNDAY GOAL

This week we will move from the proclamation of the gospel (kerygma) to the teaching (didache) that the gospel requires to follow.

DIDACHE:

(pronounced DID-ah-kay) has the same root word translated “teaching” that we studied already that also is translated as “traditions” and “delivered”. It refers specifically to “the teachings” of the Apostles about what humanity is to do in response to the gospel.

DIDACHE PREPARATION PASSAGES:

If you want to prepare for Sunday night, you can read the following passages (broken into 4 categories) with a particular focus on the **teaching to the churches**. These are the passages we will cover on Sunday evening together. Ask yourself what the passage teaches people to do in response (hint: what we do)? Also, be alert to any **gospel points** that might be tied to the teaching passages.

Virtues and Character:

Ephesians 4:1-7
Galatians 5:16-24

Roll of the Church:

Ephesians 4:11-16
Ephesians 5:7-21

Repentance and Transformation:

Ephesians 4:17 - 5:6
Colossians 1:6-8

Home, Family, and Community:

Ephesians 5:22 - 6:9

Colossians 3:18 - 4:1

I look forward to seeing you Sunday night 6pm.

PJ