



Colossians 1:1-8 & 28-29



Colossians 1:6 ...the **gospel** is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God’s grace.

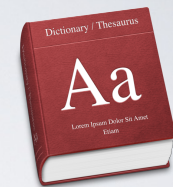
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gospel

Greek: εὐαγγέλιον

“Good News”



132 times in the New Testament

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“The Good News is that God the Father sent Jesus into the world to establish His Kingdom and reconcile people to Himself. Jesus sacrificially died for us so that, by His death and resurrection, we might gain what the Bible defines as new and eternal life.” –Ed Stetzer

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Paul, who perhaps understood grace better than any other mere human being, looked back at what had happened to him and said: *"By the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me."* -1 Cor. 15:10



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The cross is described as:

1. Ending of the sacrificial system. *-Hebrews 10:1-18*

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The cross is described as:

2. The work that reconciles broken relationships.

-2Cor. 5:20

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The cross is described as:

3. A defendant that been set free. *-Gal. 5:1*

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The cross is described as:

4. A battle that has been won. *-1John 5:4*

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The cross is described as:

5. The redemption of something that was lost.

-Col 1:14

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The cross is described as:

6. A burden that has been lifted. *-Matt. 11:30*

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The cross is described as:

7. Aliens gaining citizenship. *-Eph. 2:19*

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The Gospel is:

1. Christological.
-John 1:1-14

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The Gospel is:

2. A New Kingdom.

-Matt. 4:23

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The Gospel is:

3. Theological.

-John 1:45- 46

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The Gospel is:

4. Apostolic.

-Eph. 2:19-20

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The Gospel is:

5. Historical.

-1 Corinthians 15:4-8

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The Gospel is:

6. The Truth.

-John 18:37

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The Gospel is:

7. Eschatological.

-Revelation 21:4

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The Gospel is:

8. Personal.

-Matthew 4:19

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The Gospel is:

9. Universal.

-John 3:16

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Christmas Checkup.

Are you **sharing** the Good News? *-Col.1:7*

Are you **financially invested** in
God's work? *-2 Cor 9:7*

Are you **thanking** God Regularly? *-1 Cor. 15:57*

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