# The Gospel Changes Men 2 Timothy 3:16-17

# God Created Man

Genesis 1:27 "And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

## God Gave The Plan

Romans 1:16-17 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is revealed a righteousness of God from faith unto faith: as it is written, But the righteous shall live by faith."

## Questions:

Is the gospel, as God gave it; adapted to man, as God made him?

## What About Man Must Change?

**Jeremiah 17:9** "The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it?"

# What About Man Must Change?

**Matthew 15:18-20** "But the things which proceed out of the mouth come forth out of <u>the heart</u>; and they defile the man. For out of <u>the heart</u> come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, railings: these are the things which defile the man"

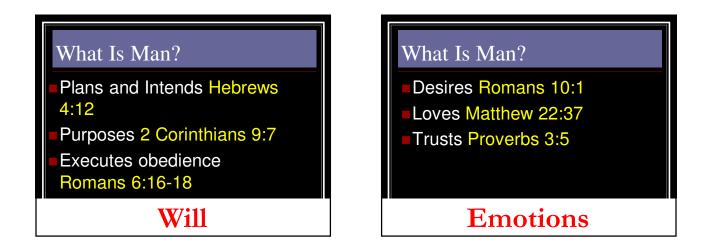
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Acts 15:8-9 "And God, who knoweth the heart, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit, even as he did unto us; and he made no distinction between us and them, cleansing their hearts by faith."

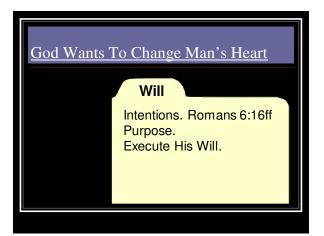


- Thinks Genesis 6:5; Proverbs 23:7
- Reasons Mark 2:8
- Understands Matthew 13:15
- Believes Acts 8:37; Romans. 10:10

Intellect







# God Wants To Change Man's Heart

#### Emotions Desire.

Love. 1 John 4:7-10 Trust. Philippians 4:13

# What Is The Gospel?

FACTS to be believed. John 20:30-31; Acts 2:36

# What Is The Gospel?

### **COMMANDMENTS** to be obeyed.

2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; cf. Romans 2:8-9

- Faith John 8:24;
- Repentance Acts 17:30-31
- Confession Matthew 10:32-33
- Baptism Acts 2:38
- Faithfulness Revelation 2:10

# What Is The Gospel?

**PROMISES** in which to trust. Romans 8:24-25; Hebrews 6:19

#### Gospel Changed The Jews Acts 2

FACTS presented. Verses 22-36
COMMANDS given. Verses 36,38
PROMISES offered. Verses 38-39

<u>Hearts changed</u>: "*They then that received his word* were baptized: and there were added (unto them) in that day about three thousand souls." Verse 41

## Gospel Changed Saul of Tarsus

FACTS presented.

- Acts 9:5 "I am Jesus whom thou persecutest"
- cf. 2 Timothy 1:12 "I know whom I have believed..."
- cf. Acts 26:28-29 Paul was persuaded.
- COMMANDS given.
- Acts 22:16 "Arise and be baptized..."
- Acts 9:18 Paul "arose and was baptized."
- PROMISES trusted.
- Acts 26:6-7
- 2 Corinthians 4:16; Romans 8:18; 2 Timothy 4:6-8

# The Gospel Will Change You Too!!!

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