SO WHAT

- What did it cost Jesus to save us from our sins? What do we have to do to receive the free gift of salvation?
- A divine exchange happened on the cross. What does this mean (Galatians 2:20)? What are we enabled to do because of Jesus' finished work on the cross?
- Romans 12:2 tells us to renew our minds. How do we change our thinking? What does knowing God's will do to us?

NOW WHAT

- How convinced are you that Jesus has done a complete work on the cross? How will you fully place your confidence in Jesus?
- What areas of your life do you think need cleansing from God?
- What mindset do you have that you feel needs to change so you can freely live out your faith?

PRAYER

- Pray that each of you will be fully confident in the finished work of Christ so you can also confidently share this Good News to others.
- Ask God to continuously probe your hearts and sanctify you.
- Believe God for strength, faith, and hope so you can persevere as you run the race of faith.



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Gospel in the Present



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CONNECT

- What is one thing that you like to clean or wash (e.g., house, car, shoes, computer, clothes)?
- What is one thing or place that you are very particular about in cleanliness? Explain.
- What is one cleansing product that you cannot live without? Why?



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WHAT

The gospel is the power of God not just for our salvation but also for our transformation (Romans 1:16,17). How does the message of the gospel affect our lives in the present?

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God has reconciled us to Himself.

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We were once so far away from God—considered as His

enemies, separated from Him by our evil thoughts and actions. But through Christ's finished work on the cross, His death and resurrection, this moral separation has been
bridged and we are reconciled to God. What did it take for us
to be reconciled with God?

	death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation colossians 1:22
	What Jesus did on the cross made it possible for us to be cleansed, enabled to die more and more to sin, and live a holy life. This process is called sanctification (1 Thessalonians 5:23; 1 Corinthians 1:2). How does God sanctify us (Colossians 3:1-10)?
3	The gospel empowers us to continue in our faith if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant. COLOSSIANS 1:23
	We are changed as we persevere in faith. This happens as we allow God's Word to sanctify us and as we obey it (John 17:17). What does the Word of God cleanses us from (Ephesians 5:26)? How does the renewing of our minds help us continue in our faith?

2 God makes us holy in His sight.