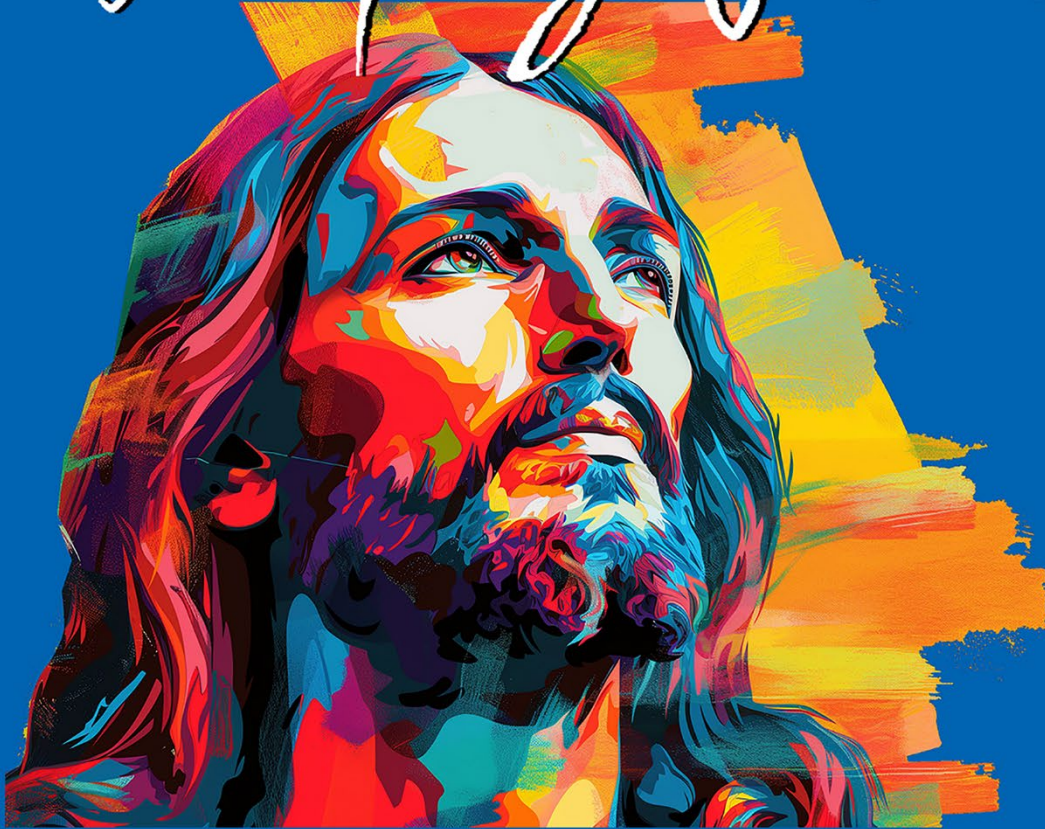


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Gospel of Jesus, the Christ.

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Let's Just Imagine!

Let's just imagine what might happen in our family, community, church, nation, and world if all believers **KINGDOM OF GOD ON EARTH!** helped usher in the

When people embrace their role in the Kingdom of God here on earth, their **EYES, EARS, MIND, HANDS, FEET & VOICE** will be used to reflect their faith.

They will use their **EYES** to look for needs that are unmet, and to watch over those in positions of authority.

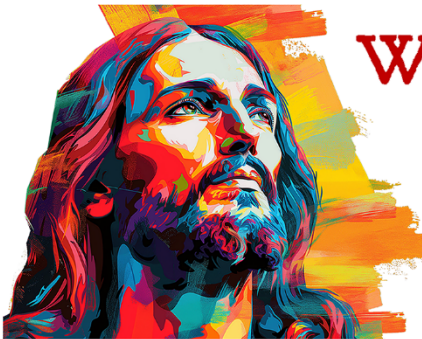
They will use their **EARS** to listen for the cries of those in pain, and to hear and address comments that demean those in need.

They will use their **MIND** to think of ways to get involved and to question for themselves what God would have them do for Him.

They will use their **HANDS** to do what is needed, remembering that it is through their hands that Jesus touches the "least of these."

They will use their **FEET** to go where needed...overseas, across the street or into the voting booth...to bring the Kingdom of God to those in need.

They will use their **VOICE** to speak up and out for those without a voice, and to hold those with power accountable to remember "the least of these" when making decisions.



**Wouldn't it be lovely to live
in a world like that!?!**

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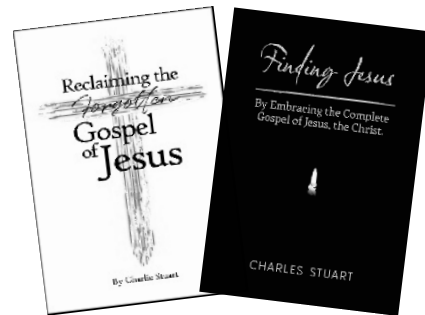
Greetings, in the name of the complete Gospel of Jesus, the Christ.

The Church Lost Jesus. It's Not Too Late to Find Him.

This study guide addresses the two statements above and is written primarily to pastors of Protestant churches in America... particularly those who identify with the Evangelical movement.

Secondarily, it is written to denominational leaders as well as others who offer thought-leadership on the church as it evolves toward “ushering in the Kingdom of God on Earth.”

As an author of two books, I have researched extensively why one-half of Protestant churches in America mostly ignore, or in some cases, reject, what Jesus said, taught, and did before His death...they have “lost Jesus.”



This is serious. We must recognize that what Jesus taught, commanded, said, and did before His death is as much a part of the Gospel as is salvation based on His resurrection.

The Conundrum of the Salvation Gospel of the Christ and Embracing the Gospel of Jesus.

I believe the “whole” Gospel has two parts — the Gospel of the Christ (Salvation) and the Gospel of Jesus. This why I call it The Complete Gospel of Jesus, the Christ.

The Gospel of Jesus is what Jesus said and did during His three years of teaching. It is the Way of Jesus. It lays out what Jesus expects of His followers. It is the Word of God.

Introduction.

Are people who claim that they are “saved” but do not follow the teachings and preachings of Jesus really “saved?” Can a person lose their salvation?

It has long been thought that those “born again” would be transformed to engage in serving others as Jesus commanded His followers to do. But there is little evidence among American Protestant churches that this is the case.

It’s been a mantra that “salvation is through faith (belief) and not by works (including serving others as Jesus commanded). And there is the conundrum.

“Woe to you, false preachers, and hypocrites” is how Jesus called out those who thought they were doing what God said but ignored what the Gospel of Jesus commands like love others, seek peace, establish justice, show mercy, have compassion for those in need, abused, or neglected.

Perhaps those who made a commitment to Jesus for their salvation but don’t follow the Gospel of Jesus with their lives have not “lost” their salvation; perhaps they never had it.

Changing how we understand “what the Gospel is” is hard, but it is essential, and it is what Jesus said. For many this comes as a rough wakeup call. But it’s not too late.

Why should we embrace the Gospel of Jesus?

Beyond the point that Jesus commanded it – I believe it can help heal the world. We live in a world where uncertainty and fear are normal, and we are frustrated by our inability to make it better.

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Jesus, who came to usher in the Kingdom of God on Earth, left the fulfillment of His mission up to His followers and His church when He said...

18 ¹⁸"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son ²⁰and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Gospel of Matthew 28:18-20

It is up to us, His followers, to usher in the Kingdom of God on Earth, obeying everything He taught. It is the only way to heal the world.

This book offers practical ways forward toward a "whole" gospel – one that gives equal import to establishing the Kingdom of God on Earth and salvation.

In the name of the complete Gospel of Jesus, the Christ...



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What makes you a "Christian?"

Here is my litmus test for someone calling themselves "Christian."

Any answer that doesn't include personal responsibility to live as Jesus taught is not Christian.

This may seem harsh and hard, but it is the Gospel of Jesus, an essential part of the complete Gospel of Jesus, the Christ.

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