



# WHY SHARE THE GOSPEL?

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# GOSPEL : good news

The literal meaning of the word "gospel" is good news. People love to hear good news, but unfortunately the world is dominated by bad news. I would even go as far to say that "good news" is selling it short. This is the best news that anyone can or will ever hear.

Romans 5:8 says, "but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."


We have the good news that Jesus died for us and paid for our sins when we were totally helpless.

**"For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off,  
as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself"**

**- Acts 2:39**

Acts 2:39 reminds us that the good news is for as many as the Lord will call to Himself. Since we do not know who all that may be, we must not neglect any opportunity to share the gospel to all people.





**“GO INTO ALL THE  
WORLD AND  
PREACH THE  
GOSPEL TO ALL  
CREATION”**

**- MARK 16:15**

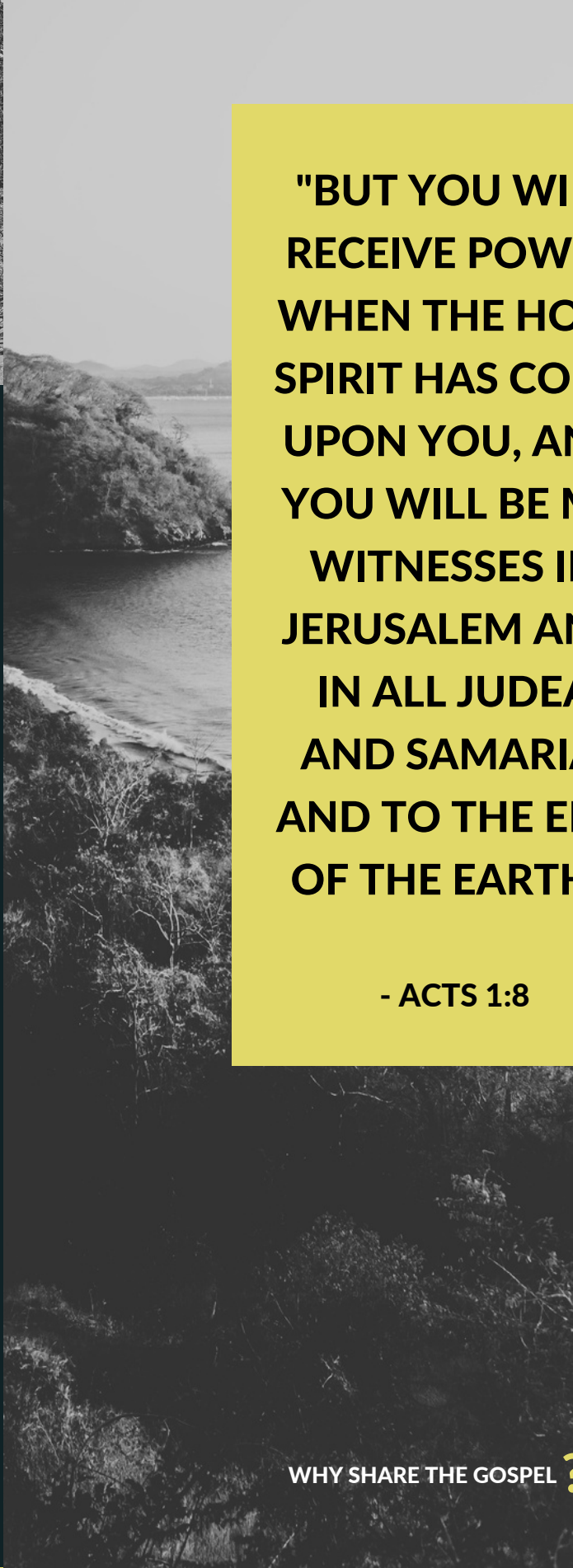
# **WE ARE commanded**

What else would we need to confirm our need to share the gospel other than the fact that God has commanded us to share the gospel. This is not a mere suggestion but in fact, a command of Christ to go and preach the gospel to all creation. This alone should be a good enough reason why we should share the gospel.

Charles Spurgeon says, *"Every Christian is either a missionary or an impostor."*

This might sound harsh, but it has some truth behind it. Jesus says, "if you love me, obey my commands". Sharing the gospel is one of His commands to all believers, even if you are not particularly good at it. We are all commanded to share the gospel.

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# GOD WANTS to use us

2 Corinthians 5:20 "We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf"

What an honor it is for us to see that God wants to make His appeal through us! We get to be Christ's ambassador here on earth to the lost and hurting world around us. God has chosen us to be His instruments to get the good news of Jesus into the ears, minds, and hearts of unbelievers.

Ephesians 2:10 "for we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do".

This was God's plan all along. God has given us His Holy Spirit so that we will be His witnesses to the world.

**"BUT YOU WILL  
RECEIVE POWER  
WHEN THE HOLY  
SPIRIT HAS COME  
UPON YOU, AND  
YOU WILL BE MY  
WITNESSES IN  
JERUSALEM AND  
IN ALL JUDEA  
AND SAMARIA,  
AND TO THE END  
OF THE EARTH."**

**- ACTS 1:8**

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# PEOPLE NEED to hear it

Where would you be today if someone did not share the gospel with you? There was a time that we were all lost and without hope in life and we need to remember that when we are getting ready to share the gospel. If you find yourself lacking boldness or you are uncomfortable with sharing your faith, remember that it is totally worth it because a moment of uncomfortable conversation could lead to an eternity of salvation and joy forevermore.

The world is filled with people who are spiritually dead, and unfortunately they will stay that way until they come to follow Jesus.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few."

**"How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed?  
And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never  
heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?"  
- Romans 10:14**

We get to take part in being the person who will introduce them to their savior Jesus. The bible says that Jesus is the way the truth and the life and that no one gets to the Father but through Him. This is the most important thing that we can tell someone and we must remember that it is good news and that salvation could be at the end of that conversation.

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# WHEN DO we share?

1 Peter 3:15 says, "but in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."

We should always be prepared to share the gospel. Even more so, we should be actively looking for opportunities to share the good news with all people. In the great commission, the greek word for "go" is equally translated "as you go". This means that we are called to make disciples as we go through life.

I will say that there are times to use wisdom in when to share the gospel. Listen to the Holy Spirit inside you and be obedient when He leads you to share the gospel. Also, used your discernment to know when it might not be the right time. This is a rare situation but it does happen. I assure you that sharing the gospel with a megaphone on the steps of a mosque in Palestine would not be the most wise, although I would also say that if that is what the Lord is calling you to do then by all means, be obedient.

"As you go, proclaim this message:  
'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'  
Matthew 10:7

# WHO SHOULD you share with?



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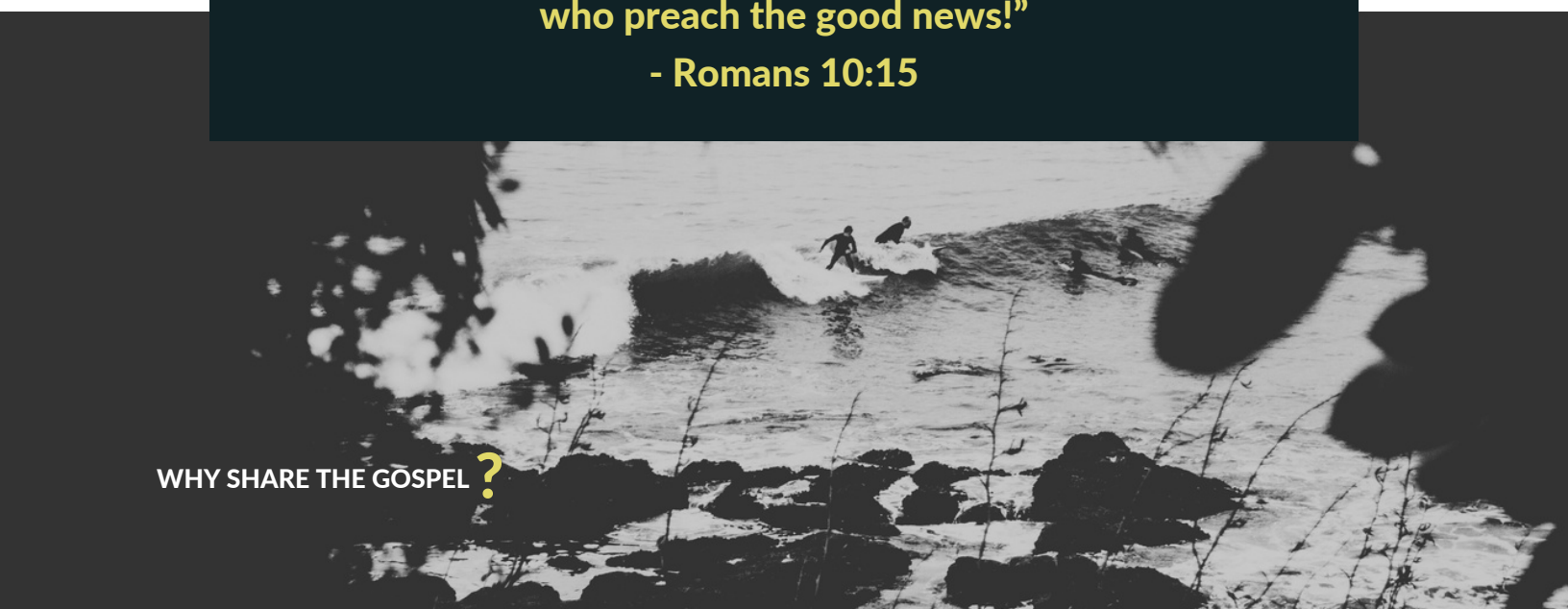
## Family

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**“How beautiful are the feet of those  
who preach the good news!”  
- Romans 10:15**





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