

# **THE Gospel Part 1 - THE Gospel Is Addressed ONLY To God's Redeemed – Study Guide**

This study guide is designed to provide academic depth and actionable insights into the foundational concepts of the Gospel. It focuses on identifying the specific audience of the scriptures, the nature of the Gospel as an integrated whole, and the strategic deceptions used to obscure the truth of the coming earthly kingdom.

## **Definitions of Key Words**

- **Gospel:** An integrated whole within the scriptures that cannot be added to, subtracted from, or changed; it is defined as the "Good News" but requires scriptural definition to be understood correctly.
- **Redeemed:** Those specifically called and loved by God to whom the scriptures are exclusively addressed.
- **Outsiders:** Individuals who are not currently redeemed or called by God; often the misplaced focus of modern evangelism.
- **Creeping:** A satanic trait of stealthy, undetected movement within the church structure.
- **Strategy:** A long-term plan of action (often military in origin) designed to achieve a particular goal, such as preventing the children of the kingdom from receiving their inheritance.
- **Tactics:** Specific, detailed tasks or conceptual actions used to implement and achieve the objectives of a broader strategy.
- **The Lost:** Scripturally defined as the "lost sheep of the house of Israel"—redeemed individuals who have wandered from the truth—rather than the ungodly world.
- **Salvation:** A future, conditional truth related to inheriting the coming kingdom, distinct from the initial act of redemption.

## **Expansion of Key Points**

### **1. The Targeted Audience: Private Mail for the Redeemed**

The sources argue that the Gospel and the wider scriptures are not written for the ungodly world but are "**private mail**" **specifically addressed to God's redeemed**. This is evidenced by the "address labels" found at the start of the

Greek scriptures, such as **Romans 1:7**, which is addressed "to all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints," or **Ephesians 1:1**, which is addressed "to the saints... and to the faithful in Christ Jesus". Even the Hebrew scriptures were written specifically for the instruction and hope of the redeemed, as noted in **Romans 15:4** and **1 Corinthians 10:11**, which state they were recorded for "our instruction" and as "an example" for those on whom the end of the ages has come.

## **2. Satanic Stealth: The Stealth Bomber Analogy**

Satan's primary method of operation is not external invasion but **internal infiltration**. He "creeps" into the church as if he were part of the authentic structure of Christendom to remain undetected. The sources liken this to a **stealth bomber** that flies under the radar of theological systems to drop "**bomb doctrines**". The ultimate goal of this strategy is to **hide the Gospel of Christ's coming kingdom here on earth** and to ensure that the children of the kingdom do not receive their inheritance.

## **3. The Diversion Tactic: Focus on Outsiders**

A major tactic under Satan's broader strategy is **diversion**. By influencing the church to focus almost exclusively on "winning" the **outsiders** (those not redeemed), Satan ensures the church is **not focused on the "insiders" or the redeemed**. This leaves the redeemed neglected, wandering, and susceptible to deceptive doctrines that could cause them to lose their future reward. The sources note that while the term "outsider" appears only 15 times in the Bible, modern theology has made them the primary focus, contrary to the example of Jesus and the Apostles.

## **4. The Priority of the Elect and the Goal of "Winning"**

When the Apostle Paul spoke of "winning" people, his focus remained on the **elect and the redeemed**. In **1 Corinthians 9:18-23**, Paul describes becoming "all things to all people" specifically to **win the Jews and those under the law**—those who were already redeemed but needed to be won over to the truth of the Messiah and the Kingdom. Paul explicitly stated in **2 Timothy 2:10** that he endured everything "for the sake of the elect," so that they (the already redeemed) might obtain the **salvation** that comes with eternal glory.

## **5. Salvation as a Future Conditional Truth**

The sources distinguish between redemption (God's act of purchase) and **salvation** (the future inheritance of the kingdom). Salvation is presented as a **conditional truth** that depends on a faithful walk after being redeemed. In **2**

**Timothy 2:11-13**, the criteria for this future glory are marked by "ifs": **if** we endure, we will also reign with Him. Paul's ministry was dedicated to helping the redeemed avoid the "possibility of failing" to complete the action of obtaining their inheritance.

## Biblical References within the Source Excerpts

- **Romans 1:7**: Addressed to those loved by God and called to be saints.
- **Romans 10**: Paul's attempt to win the redeemed Jews to the Messiah.
- **Romans 15:4**: Hebrew scriptures written for our instruction and hope.
- **1 Corinthians 1:2**: Addressed to the church in Corinth and those sanctified.
- **1 Corinthians 9:18-23**: Paul becoming a servant to all to win the elect.
- **1 Corinthians 10:11**: Things written down as an example for our instruction.
- **1 Corinthians 10:32**: Distinguishing between Jews, Greeks, and the Church of God.
- **2 Corinthians 1:1**: Addressed to the saints in the whole of Achaia.
- **Galatians 1:1**: Addressed to the brothers with Paul.
- **Ephesians 1:1**: Addressed to the saints and the faithful.
- **Philippians 1:1**: Addressed to the saints, overseers, and deacons.
- **Colossians 1:1-2**: Addressed to the saints and faithful brothers.
- **1 Thessalonians 1:1**: Addressed to the church of the Thessalonians.
- **2 Thessalonians 1:1**: Addressed to the church in God our Father.
- **1 Timothy 1:1**: Paul writing to Timothy, his child in the faith.
- **2 Timothy 2:1**: Paul writing to his beloved child Timothy.
- **2 Timothy 2:10-13**: Enduring all for the elect; conditional salvation.
- **Titus 1:4**: Written to Titus in a common faith.
- **Philemon 1:1**: Written to Philemon and the church in his house.
- **Hebrews 1:1**: God speaking to "us" (the redeemed) by His Son.
- **James 1:1**: Written to the 12 tribes in the dispersion.
- **1 Peter 1:1**: Written to the elect exiles.
- **2 Peter 1:1**: Written to those who have obtained a faith of equal standing.
- **1 John 1:3-4**: Proclaiming to "you" so that "our" joy may be complete.

- **2 John 1:1:** To the elect lady and her children.
- **3 John 1:1:** To the beloved Gaius.
- **Jude 1:1:** To those who are called and beloved.
- **Revelation 1:1-4:** Written to show His servants things that must take place.

## Study Questions

- **Audience Identification:** Why does the speaker refer to the scriptures as "private mail"?
- **Satanic Methods:** According to the "stealth bomber" analogy, where does Satan primarily operate, and what is his specific target?
- **Terminology:** How does the scriptural definition of "the lost" differ from the general definition used in modern church evangelism?
- **Strategic Diversion:** What is the "diversion tactic" Satan uses to weaken the focus of the redeemed?
- **Ministerial Focus:** Why did the Apostle Paul endure "everything" according to **2 Timothy 2:10**? Who was his primary concern?
- **Redemption vs. Salvation:** Based on the source, what is the difference between being redeemed and obtaining salvation?

## Answer Key

- Because the books of the Bible have "address labels" (e.g., **Rom 1:7**) naming the **saints and the faithful** as recipients, rather than the ungodly world.
- He operates **within the church**; his target is to **hide the Gospel of Christ's coming earthly kingdom**.
- Modern theology views "the lost" as pagans; the Bible defines them as "**lost sheep**" (redeemed people) who have wandered from the Shepherd's truth.
- He gets the church to look at **outsiders** so they fail to focus on and instruct the **insiders (the redeemed)**.
- He endured all for the "**sake of the elect**" so they might obtain **salvation**; his focus was not on the "unelect" or unredeemed.
- Redemption is being purchased by God (the "ins"); **salvation** is a future, conditional state of inheriting the kingdom and its glory based on

endurance.

## Exhortations

- **Check the Address Label:** Do not attempt to apply the instructions of the scriptures to those they were not written for; focus on the message intended for the **saints and the faithful**.
- **Beware the Infiltration:** Be alert to the "creeping" of deceptive doctrines within your own fellowship; remember that Satan's most effective work is done **inside the church**.
- **Prioritize the Elect:** Follow the example of Christ and Paul by fixing your sights on the **redeemed** to ensure they obtain their full inheritance.
- **Strive for Salvation:** Understand that redemption is the starting point; you must continue to **endure and walk faithfully** to obtain the salvation and glory promised in the coming kingdom.