## New Song Notes, Pastor Herb Shaffer

## What is Jesus Really About?

August 9, 2020 American Gospel, part 1

What we believe determines how we live: how we think, act and feel

Clip One: 0:00 - 3:20 Video clips are from the documentary, "American Gospel: Christ Alone."

#### The Core message of Biblical Christianity

#### 1. GOD - everything begins with God.

Colossians 1:15-17

Clip Two: 30:03-35:22

#### 2. US - who we are/aren't, what we can/ cannot do.

Clip Three: 10:54-14:21

◆ Spiritually dead, sinful in nature, enemies with God

**Ephesians 2:1–2 (ESV)** <sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

✤ Not even trying to know and please God

**Romans 3:10–11 (ESV)** <sup>10</sup>as it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; <sup>11</sup>no one understands; no one seeks for God.

♦ Powerless to be right with God, thus hopeless
John 3:7 (ESV) Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

## <u>3. SOLUTION – reconciled to God ONLY through Jesus' work.</u>

Clip Four: 14:31- 17:55

+ Jesus paid it all - the ONLY way to forgiveness & restored relationship John 14:6 (ESV) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

+ We must repent: "turn around" to believe and receive Acts 3:19 (ESV) Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out,

#### Ephesians 2:8–9

RELIGION: Faith + works = salvation - human work is the *root*.

BIBLE: Faith = salvation + works - human work is *fruit.* 

## 4. LIVING RELATIONSHIP - in love we Surrender, Listen, Obey.

#### **August Memory Scripture**

**John 8:31–32 (ESV)** <sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." **John 8:31–32 (ESV)** 

Clip Five: 23:07 - 24:49

Clip Six: 35:22 – 36:29

1 John 4:19 (ESV) We love because he first loved us. John 15:5 (ESV) I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. Galatians 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit

## What do we do with this?

Each day this week, ask God to reveal to you any belief you have that doesn't line up with the Bible, especially what you believe about God, yourself, or what it means to live in relationship with Christ. The **Surrender, Listen, Obey** 

- + What stuck out to you?
- + What is God saying about what stuck out?
- + What do you need to do in response?

**Psalm 145:1–3 (ESV)** <sup>1</sup>I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. <sup>2</sup>Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. <sup>3</sup>Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

**Psalm 145:8–13 (ESV)** <sup>8</sup>The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. <sup>10</sup>All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! <sup>11</sup>They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, <sup>12</sup>to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. <sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

## **New Song News**

## Today

- Bibles available to guests to use during Pastor Herb's message. We invite you to take one home for your personal reading.
- ✓ Today & next Sunday you need access to "American Gospel: Christ Alone."

## **This Week**

- ✓ <u>From Where God Sits</u> episodes will continue at 12:11pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from Pastor Herb's Facebook page.
- ✓ Wednesday, 9am-noon, Ladies' Bible Study in the Park. Meet at parking lot on the right at first traffic light on Corrigan Drive in South Park. Bring Bible, pen and paper to study Zechariah. See Nancy Seman for more info.
- ✓ Thursday, 7pm Weekly Bible Study through Pastor Herb's Facebook page. Currently it is focused on what spiritual battles look like in everyday life. This week is a study of 1 Kings 19.
- ✓ Friday Women's Bible Study, 10am. Current study: the Holy Spirit. Contact Debbie Mazzeo for a study book and Susan Katreeb for more information.

## **Looking Ahead**

- $\checkmark$  All church Prayer Gathering, Wednesday, August 19, 7pm.
- $\checkmark$  Live-streaming of worship services will continue through the summer.
- ✓ New Song FB Live link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/NewSongPittsburgh/</u>.
- ✓ New Song YouTube Channel Sunday sermons, Thursday Bible Studies & Pastor Herb's daily 12:11pm From Where God Sits episodes: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGj3cRY-AnOkv1AetkgDMMw</u>

Regular Offering	Projected Budget	Family Assistance	Children of Promise
7/26/2020 \$ 2.079.50	\$ 2,821.63	7/26/2020 \$ 0.00	7/26/2020 \$4.14
To Date \$83,098.32	\$ 84,649.04	Balance \$ 2,754.16	Month Total \$ 8.14
Experiencing More Building Fund Campaign			
	Actual Giving	Weekly Pledged	Friends of New Song
7/26/2020	\$ 216.48	\$ 543.59	\$ 0.00
68 weeks	\$ 27,359.90	\$ 36,964.10	\$ 3,000.00
So you can receive credit for your giving, please print your name & amount on the offering envelope.			



New Song Community Church

# Living Right-Side Up in 2020

- + S.L.O. Lifestyle with God Together Surrender → Listen → Obey ... *together*
- ★ Soldier-like Friendships "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs. 27:17
- Salty Presence "Beyond the Walls" Making people thirsty for Jesus