

## American Gospel: Christ Crucified, CHAPTER THREE Additional Notes and Scriptures

WEEK 4 – finish chapter 2 and chapter 3

Why is digging deep into truth in “The American Gospel: Christ Crucified” important? BECAUSE...

- We live in the context of spiritual war
- satan uses people to deceive and lead people away from God and His truth

### Ephesians 4:17–5:2

**2 Timothy 4:3–5 (ESV)** <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

**2 Corinthians 11:13–15 (ESV)** <sup>13</sup>For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. <sup>14</sup>And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. <sup>15</sup>So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.

Why are Chapter 3 topics important?

- ✓ hell or no hell
- ✓ the exclusivity of Christ as Lord, Messiah, the One and only Who forgives and saves

BECAUSE...

1. It's the Biblical truth – it is important that we believe God's truth because it IS the truth regardless of implications
2. Those who don't trust in the only true God are lost for eternity
3. satan's strategy is to discredit the Bible and dishonor God, thus we need to **be firm** in our belief in the Bible as God's Word, **understand** God through His Bible and **cling** to both.

## CHAPTER 3 – LOVE WINS, 51:07 to 1:15:26

### 51:18 – 56:10

#### GOSPEL ESSENTIALS: HELL

**GRAPHIC: “Universalism: noun, 1. the belief that all humankind will eventually be saved**

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**Luke 12:5 (ESV)** <sup>5</sup>But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!

**Mark 9:23 (ESV)** <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, “ ‘If you can’! All things are possible for one who believes.”

**Matthew 23:33 (ESV)** <sup>33</sup>You serpents, you brood of vipers, how are you to escape being sentenced to hell?

**John 3:16 (ESV)** <sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**John 8:24 (ESV)** <sup>24</sup>I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins.”

**John 14:6 (ESV)** <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Matthew 10:38 (ESV)** <sup>38</sup>And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

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**56:10 to 1:02:45**

### **GRAPHIC: SOLUS CHRISTUS – Christ Alone**

**John 3:18 (ESV)** <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

**Revelation 5:9 (ESV)** <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,

### **GRAPHIC: GOSPEL ESSENTIALS – The Exclusivity of Jesus Christ**

**GRAPHIC: perennialism: noun, 1. the belief that all of the world’s traditions share a single truth**

**1 Corinthians 1:23 (ESV)** but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles,

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**1:02:45 to 1:07:58**

**GRAPHIC: Theism – circle with God in center**

**Theism** – God as creator of universe out of nothing and distinct from His creation – omnipresent b/c cannot be contained in any one location of His creation whereas

**Pantheism** – opposite of that, God = Universe – God and creation are one and the same, the leaves are God, rocks are God, identical

**Panentheism** (“All in God”) – God is in creation, and creation is in God but God also transcends creation

**Genesis 3:5 (ESV)** For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

**John 14:6 (ESV)** <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

ADDITIONAL QUESTION

Why is this issue important for US?

1:07:58 to 1:10:39

**GRAPHIC: Redefining words: ATONEMENT**

**GRAPHIC: ATONEMENT:** 1. reparation for offense or injury, reconciliation of God & humankind  
whereas the Hebrew word is

**GRAPHIC - kaphar, 1. to cover, to propitiate**

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1:10:39 to 1:12:50

**Matthew 7:13–14 (ESV)** <sup>13</sup>“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. <sup>14</sup>For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

CAMPOLO: why would you want to worship a god if you could imagine a better god? ***If you can imagine a better god than the one you worship... trade up.***

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1:12:50 to 1:15:26

**GRAPHIC: annihilationism:** 1. the belief that wicked dead will perish or cease to exist

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*New Song*  
Community Church