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## Knowing the Gospel & Sharing Christ

(Highlights from last Sunday • Part 1/2)

1. Emphasize Jesus Christ: & tell the unfolding story of God/His glory
  2. Proclaim the whole gospel: speaking good news to a lost world
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### 3. Emphasize the Problem of Sin: and God's call for you & I to be saved

- some definitions & examples of sin (why are we perishing?)
  
- the wrath of God & the penalty of sin (why are we perishing?)
  
- the cross & the atonement (God gave His only son)
  
- the resurrection & new/eternal life (we can have eternal life)

- salvation by grace through faith (God's gift and our belief)
  
- the gospel call: repent and believe in Christ  
(an invitation & a command) (that whoever believes in him)

### 4. Know & Share your Testimony: and be able to lead someone to Christ

- Prepare & share your testimony: and keep it updated
  - 1) Point people to Jesus Christ
  - 2) Emphasize the change in your life
  - 3) Let your conversation be seasoned with salt
  - 4) Emphasize God's sovereignty/work in your life (God-centered)
  - 5) Some practical steps:
    - Write out your testimony (start with an outline)
    - Be able to share it in 3 to 5 minutes and longer when appropriate
    - Rewrite & refine it; keep it updated; share it with others
    - Listen to other testimonies
- Know some different ways to lead people to Jesus Christ
  - Spend time talking about Jesus Christ: including your testimony (see notes from the previous sermon/points #1 & #2 above)
  - Resource examples: Wordless book, Way of the Master, Romans Road, Four Spiritual Laws, & Steps to Peace with God
  - Importance of a verbal confession of faith (sinner's prayer, etc.)