

Sunday, February 19, 2023

True or False

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Intro Series.

Main Point: Of First Importance

Witnessing at UCSB. **Randy and Supercucas**

What's the purpose of life? Etc.

-Discuss answers

-Lowering God/Exalting Man

Our purpose. Glorify God and enjoy him forever. To reflect our creator for HIS original design. **Of First importance!**

An easy way to understand the big picture of the Bible is through 4 categories.

Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration

According to the scriptures

Creation: Created in the Image of God

Fall: In nature and decision, we have sinned

Sin: to act contrary to the will and word of God.

Redemption: Jesus Saves Us

Restoration: We are free to live as we are created

When we begin to see other narratives through this same lens, we are able to see counterfeits much easier!

-We all have what philosophers call an "ultimate faith assumption."

-List a few examples

-So how can we identify some them... and are they true?

In an article by Pastor Joel Kurz called False Gospels: an introduction, he texted friends and asked what are some false Gospels that people believe? Note there are truth along with false statements that don't align with reality! See if you can pick them up!

- God knows my heart
- I gotta get myself together

Take a look at this faith commitments through this grid

- God knows my heart
 - C-Created humans to be good
 - F-People have bad-spirited motivations
 - R-Have good intentions
 - R-God will accept me because of my good intentions

- I gotta get myself together
 - C-People created morally neutral
 - F-I've mad bad choices
 - R-I can make good choices
 - R-Live a better life

- Critical Theory
 - C-Equality
 - F-Opperors & Oppessed
 - R-Remove all oppression
 - R-No Oppression→ Equality

- Christian Nationalism
 - C-God blessed America
 - F-Removal of CHristian Judeo values
 - R-Better Government
 - R-Continued Blessing

Lets talk about what's true, take a look at 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

What's **Of First importance!**

- Exposit text

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What has God given to direct us? The word of God... According to the scriptures

Silent Reflection

Preston, about to be in trouble, cover his face as though in doing so, we couldn't see him and then he wouldn't be in trouble.

Sin: to act contrary to the will and word of God.

Be honest before God

It's not just in nature and decisions, but the effects of others sin, effects you. They are cause for guilt, shame and fear... So, we like my grandson, like to cover our faces in hopes that God won't see it. We avoid it like it didn't happen so we won't get in trouble. In this moment, we are creating space to be honest... To "uncover" and meet with God; he's more understanding than you think.
