PERSONAL EVANGELISM, PART 16 January 13, 2016 The Payment for Sin

Transition from the Penalty of Sin

• Key Transitional Questions

The Meaning of the Gospel

- And that brings us to the good news!
 - _____ = good news
- Return to _____ Illustration
 - As guilty sinners, we stand guilty and _____ before God.
 - We owe a "fine" we cannot possibly pay-the _____ of our sin.
 - But now, suppose someone entered the courtroom and ______ to pay your fine. How would you feel? That would be good news!
 - And that's exactly what happened 2,000 years ago when Christ died on the cross—He paid your sin debt in ______.
- We find the gospel defined and ______ for us in 1 Cor. 15:1-5a.
 - Start with first three verses.
 - Emphasize three key words:
 - "Gospel" (vs. 1)
 - There's our word for good news.
 - "Saved" (vs. 2)
 - So this is what we have to ______ to be saved.
 - "Christ" (vs. 3)
 - The One Who made our salvation possible.

The Maker of the Gospel

- Who is the Lord Jesus Christ?
 - He is _____.
- Immanuel = God ______ us. (Matt. 1:23)
 - And that's how we know God will _____ Christ's payment for our sin.
 - Because the same just God Who is our Judge is also the _____ God Who is our Savior.
- What exactly did Christ ______ to make our salvation possible?
 - o _____ to the gospel
 - Content of the gospel

The Message of the Gospel

He died for our sins and was _____.

- Christ paid the penalty we ______ to pay. (1 Pet. 2:24, Isaiah 53:5-6)
- Christ shed His blood so our sins could be forgiven. (Heb. 9:22, Rev. 1:5b, 1 John

1:7b)

- "All sin" = past, present, and ______
- Christ's work is ______. (1 Pet. 3:18, John 19:30a)
 - "It is finished!"—Is there anything ______ for us to do?
- Christ takes away our sins, and gives us His perfect ______ instead.
 - Our righteousness isn't good enough. (Isaiah 64:6, Rom. 3:20)
 - _____ = "declared righteous"
 - Christ's righteousness is the ______ we need to enter heaven. (Rom. 3:28, Gal. 2:16, Philippians 3:9)
 - Debt/credit ______
- He rose ______ from the dead, was seen, and is ______ today!
 - He has conquered sin, death, and hell.
 - He has promised to ______ up all those who believe in Him. (John 11:25-26)

The Motive of the Gospel

- Why did Christ do these things?
 - Because He ______ us. (Rom. 5:8, John 3:16)
 - In love, Christ left heaven's glory and lived a _____, humble life on earth.
 - In love, Christ died in our place on the cross, as our _____.
 - In love, Christ now offers to ______ eternal life to all Who believe in Him.
- Transition to ______ of Salvation

Homework Assignment

- Learn the basic outline of the "Payment for Sin."
 - The Meaning of the Gospel—Good news!
 - The Maker of the Gospel-Christ
 - The Message of the Gospel
 - Death, Burial, and Resurrection
 - The Motive of the Gospel–Love
- Practice presenting the "Payment for Sin" with a partner.

Memory Verses

Rev. 3:20

Acts 16:31