**Q68. What is the gospel?**

The gospel is the good news of the grace and power of God to redeem undeserving sinners to eternal life through Jesus’ perfect, sinless life; substitutional, sacrificial death; and victorious resurrection from the grave. These sinners are saved by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus alone from the eternal wrath they deserved, and they are reconciled into an eternally secure relationship with God.

1. Read Philippians 4:8
2. What kinds of things is Paul referring to in this verse? What should all of these things ultimately lead our thoughts to?
3. What happens to our ability to rightly apply this verse if we are not able to rightly articulate the gospel?
4. What are the things you think about the most throughout your day. What are the thoughts that motivate you through the daily struggles of life?
5. What do you think would help you to think more about the beauty and truth of the gospel of Jesus?
6. When bad things are happening to you or around you, how does thinking about the truth of the gospel help you to stand strong? See Ephesians 6:10-17
7. Read Hebrews 2:10 and 18. How does Jesus’ suffering affect your view of your own suffering?
8. Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-22. Why does Paul say in verse 19 “If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.”?
9. Read Ephesians 4:11-14. How does a right understanding of the gospel equip us for the work of the ministry? How does a growing understanding of the gospel help us to grow in maturity? What can you do to experience more of the gospel’s power in your daily life?
10. Read Mark 1:14-15. What does the kingdom of God have to do with the gospel?