What Is the Gospel?

- As to its source, it is the Gospel of God (1:1).
- As to its relation to the Old Testament, it was promised there (1:2).
- As to its content, it concerns God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ (1:3).
- As to its effectiveness, it is God's power to bring about salvation (1:16).
- As to its availability, it is for all men, Gentiles as well as Jews (1:16).
- As to its terms, it is appropriated by faith alone (1:17).
 - —William Macdonald

Christ was Shown to be the Son Of God (Page 13)

- *Essential to the Gospel—examples of Christs deity.
- 1. Old Testament prophets said the Saviour would come, (v2) recorded in the "holy scriptures"
- 2. New Testament writers show He is the Descendant of David (v3)
- 3. He lived a holy life, the only Perfect Man (v4)
- 4. He had power to do many miracles (v4)
- 5. God raised Him from the dead (v4)

Romans 1:1-17

Definitions:

Bondservant: Owned, Bought, subservient, in subjection to.

Apostle: messenger, A specially commissioned ambassador, to the gospel

Gospel: "Good Tidings", or "Good News/Message"

"Descendant of David": referring to Kingly lineage by which Jesus would be born.

(The Davidic Covenant/Promise)

"Son Of God": Jesus the Christs title. Declaration of His Deity (God in the flesh)

<u>spirit of holiness:</u> the Lord Jesus' perfect life—a needed qualification for His work on the cross. The Fullness of God in dwelt Him. (John 3:34)

<u>Grace:</u> Unmerited Favour. Receiving something we don't deserve.

Obedience of Faith: To Obey Gods call to all people and believe the gospel.

(The message of Jesus) (Acts 17:30) (Romans 4:3)

Saints: Believers in the scriptures are called this as people set apart for God.

<u>Jew:</u> God had a special relationship with the Jewish people in the OT referred to often as "His chosen people". God still has a plan for the nation (land) and people (Jews) of Israel. <u>Gentile:</u> a foreign (non Jewish) one. nation or people. (Usually by implication a pagan)