



**A  
POWERFUL  
MESSAGE**

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# What **REALLY** Saves?

## LUKE 16:29-31

*What point does  
Christ make?*

- **Only the Gospel can save –**  
*Nothing else can*
- **Only the Gospel will convince –**  
*Nothing else can*

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## Romans 1:16

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

**The Gospel is ALL we need!**

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# In the beginning...

**Gen. 1:3** Then God said, “Let there be light”; *and there was light.*





# In the beginning...

**Psa. 148:1** ¶ Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! **2** Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! **3** Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all stars of light! **4** Praise Him, highest heavens, And the waters that are above the heavens! **5** Let them praise the name of the LORD, For He commanded and they were created.





# In the beginning...

**Psa. 33:6** ¶ By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And by the breath of His mouth all their host. <sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deeps in storehouses.

<sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.

<sup>9</sup> For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.





# Creation OBEYS His Word

**Psa. 107:25** For He spoke and raised up a stormy wind, Which lifted up the waves of the sea.

**26** They rose up to the heavens, they went down to the depths; Their soul melted away in their misery. **27** They reeled and staggered like a drunken man, And were at their wits' end. **28** Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, And He brought them out of their distresses. **29** He caused the storm to be still, So that the waves of the sea were hushed.



# Creation OBEYS His Word

**Psa. 105:31** He spoke, and there came a swarm of flies And gnats in all their territory. **32** He gave them hail for rain, And flaming fire in their land. **33** He struck down their vines also and their fig trees, And shattered the trees of their territory. **34** He spoke, and locusts came, And young locusts, even without number, **35** And ate up all vegetation in their land, And ate up the fruit of their ground.

**Psa. 106:9** Thus He rebuked the Red Sea and it dried up, And He led them through the deeps, as through the wilderness.



# His Word Overpowered Death

**John 11:43** When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come forth.” **44** The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”



# **THE POWER of God's Word**

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***Does it make sense to doubt the POWER...***



***...that accomplished these things?***



## Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

**THE GOSPEL CAN...**

**Stand the Test of Time**

**Surpass Every Obstacle**

**Supply Every Necessity**



