

The Gospel Message Outline

We continually teach and talk about foundational Gospel truths at Quest for Christ. These are things we want each child to leave understanding. We trust God to use these truths to give the child a saving faith at a point when the Holy Spirit draws them into relationship with Him. We use the Gospel message outline most directly in two settings:

- Large group teaching - the teacher stands up front and shares a Bible story with minimal interaction from the kids
- Small group discussion - the discussion leader discusses the Gospel truths with a single student or small group of students. The leader learns what the child does and doesn't know about the truth they are discussing. Then he points the child to biblical truths and verses to direct his thinking and beliefs.

The five sections of the Gospel message

We have divided the Gospel message into five sections. Each section has four main points and Scriptures that support these truths. We want to know what to say and why we say it. If a child questions the deity of Christ or the concept of universal sin, we want to show her what God says in His Word. We know at least one supporting verse for each truth we share. That way, we know what to say and why we say it.

- Who is God? (Yellow)
- What's the problem? (Blue)
- What's the solution? (Red)
- What's your choice? (Orange)
- What to do now? (Green)



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Who is God? (Yellow)

- God is Creator. (Colossians 1:16)
- God is holy (perfect and separate from everything else). (1 Samuel 2:2)
- God is love. (John 3:16a)
- God is in Heaven. (John 14:2)

What's the problem? (Blue)

- Sin is anything we think, say or do that breaks God's law. (1 John 3:4)
- Share examples of sin - lying, cheating, swearing, disobeying, thinking unkindly of others, etc. (James 2:10)
- ALL people have sinned. (Romans 3:23)
- The punishment for sin is separation from God (both in our life on earth and forever). (Romans 6:23a)

What's the solution? (Red)

- Jesus is God the Son. (John 10:30)
- Jesus is perfect. (1 Peter 2:22)
- Jesus is our substitute. (2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 9:22b)
- Jesus is alive. (1 Corinthians 15:3b-4)

What's your choice? (Orange)

- Use action / promise verse. "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved." (Acts 16:31)
- Explain the action / promise verse. (Acts 16:31)
- Use A-B-C's. (Romans 3:23; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 2:8-9)
 - ADMIT you have done wrong and deserve to be punished
 - BELIVE Jesus died in your place and took your punishment
 - CHOOSE to make God the Lord of your life.
- Ask questions. (Reference verses as needed to explain concepts.)

What to do now? (Green)

- Share promises. “For He has said, ‘I will never leave you nor forsake you.’ So we can confidently say, ‘The Lord is my helper. I will not fear; what can man do to me?’” (Hebrews 13:5b-6)
- Share how to G-R-O-W. (2 Corinthians 5:17)
 - G - Go to church
 - R - Read your Bible and pray everyday
 - O - Obey God and confess sin
 - W - Witness to others (tell them about Jesus)
- Confess your sin ongoing. (1 John 1:9)
- Become more like Jesus. (Romans 8:29)