

MODULE 1: Learning the Gospel Message

Introduction

When we ask a person in the world today “What is the gospel?” the typical answer is usually a very simple one. It normally sounds something like this: “I believe that Jesus died for my sins, and I accept Him as my savior.” Some are a bit more theologically astute and will include the Holy Spirit into the equation, but there are many varying and confusing roles as to what the role of the Holy Spirit is. Therefore, the confusion typically hampers the real work of the Holy Spirit in the believer’s life.

Now, if you ask the typical Seventh-day Adventist what is the gospel you will realize there’s as much confusion within Adventist Christianity as there is in Christianity. However, we need to look at the gospel order in a way that no generation for the past 2000 years of Christian history has had to. At the end of time the gospel order takes on a special and unique understanding during the closing hours of Earth’s history.

What is that unique, and foundational teaching of the gospel order of the Seventh-day Adventist Church?

Class Exercise: Answer this question. What is the foundational teaching of the Seventh-day Adventist church? _____

Thus, the purpose of this class will be to systematically teach the student how to answer, teach, recognize in scripture, preach, converse about, and above all to live your life in compliance with the answer to that question of all questions, upon which hangs the hope of our eternal life.