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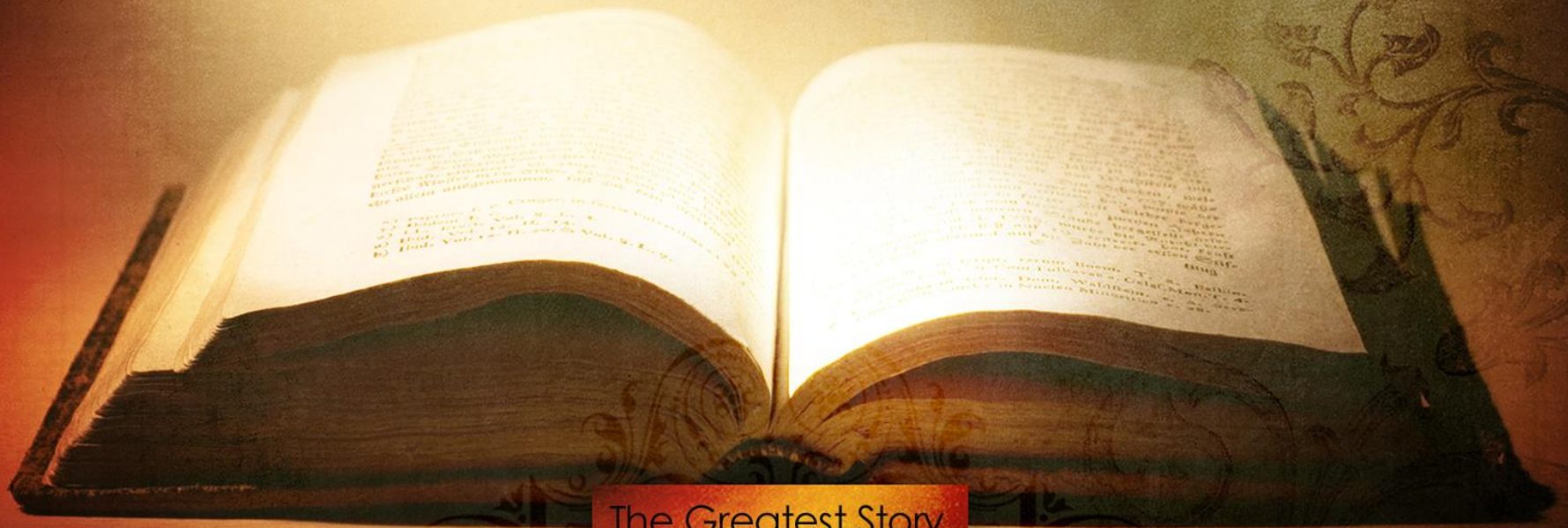


A New  
Kind of  
Christianity

*Series: A New Kind of Christianity by Brian McLaren (10 Questions Transforming Faith)*  
*Sermon: What is the Gospel?*

10 QUESTIONS  
THAT ARE TRANSFORMING  
THE FAITH

# GOSPEL ?



The Greatest Story  
Ever Told

*Paul's Letter to the*

# Romans



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I consider myself a 'good person'... won't that be enough?

**Romans 3:23** – for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

**Romans 3:10** – As it is written: “There is none righteous, no, not one;

**Romans 5:12** – Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

Is sin really THAT big of a deal? If it is... what HOPE is there

**Romans 6:23** – For the wages of sin [is] death, but the gift of God [is] eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

After what I've done to grieve God... HOW could He willingly die in my place?

**Romans 5:8** – But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

HOW can I be saved?

**Romans 10:9-10** – that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation

Did God HEAR me? Did He accept me?

**Romans 10:13** – For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”

What do I do now?

**Romans 10:17** – So then faith [comes] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

MARK

For the Introduction to Mark see page 1057

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

*First, Mark identified Jesus as "the Son of God."*

*Second, Mark declares that Jesus is the Messiah, the one expected to restore Israel.*

*Third, Mark recognizes Jesus as a unique teacher who instructs "as one having authority, and not as the scribes"*

*Fourth, Mark understands the ministry of Jesus as calling us to discipleship.*

*Fifth, Mark shows Jesus' death on the cross as the will of God.*

*Sixth, Mark understands Jesus' death as an atoning act.*