Teaching The Gospel

Acts 20:18-21

I. The Gospel – Facts, Commands, Promises

• Facts To Be Believed: (I Cor. 15:1-5)

- -The life of Jesus Christ. (Acts 2:22; 10:38; I Pet. 1:22-24)
- -The death of Jesus Christ for sins. (Acts 2:23:10:39; Matt. 20:28; Matt. 26:28)
- -Burial. (I Cor. 15:4)
- -The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (Acts 2:24-33; 10:40-41; Rom. 4:25)
- -All have sinned. (Acts 2:23; Rom. 3:23; 6:23)
- -The Gospel is for all. (Acts 2:39; 10:34-35; Mk. 16:15-16; Rom. 1:16-17)
- -All will stand before the judgment seat of God. (Acts 10:42; Rom. 14:12; Il Cor. 5:10; Acts 17:30-31; Jn. 12:48)
- -Eternity in either heaven or hell awaits each one. (Matt. 25:46)

•Commandments To Be Obeyed: (Acts 2:37-38; Acts 10:48; Heb. 5:8-9; Matt. 7:21)

- -Belief. (Heb. 11:6; Jn. 8:24; Gal. 3:26; Jn. 6:28-29; Acts 16:31; Mk. 16:16; Rom. 10:17)
- -Repentance. (Lk. 13:3; Acts 2:38; Il Cor. 7:10-11)
- -Confession. (Rom. 10:9-10; Acts 8:36-37)
- -Be Baptized. (Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; I Pet. 3:21; Gal. 3:26-27)

• Promises To Be Received: (Acts 2:38; 10:43; II Pet. 1:4)

- -Justified → declared free from guilt. (Rom. 3:25-26)
- -Redeemed → Ransomed from sin. (Matt. 20:28)
- -Forgiven → Sins are taken away, remitted by God. (Matt. 26:28; Acts 2:38; Ps. 103:12; Micah 7:19; Heb. 8:12)
- -Added to the church \rightarrow (Acts 2:47; Eph. 1:22-23; 5:23)
- –Adopted as God's children → (Rom. 8:14-17)
- -Given the hope of an eternal inheritance. (I Pet. 1:2-5: Mk. 10:28-30)

Conclusion:

Acts 8:1-4 \rightarrow And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.

As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison.

Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.