

evangelism for all

GOAL: To nurture a culture of *evangelism for all*
To INVIGORATE our **Go & Tell** (we're good at Come & See)

RECAP: our chief MOTIVE & METHOD is **Joy in Christ**
Fuel it - with who **Jesus** is and the beauty of the **trinity** of YHWH
Please listen to talk by Gloria Furman and Michael Reeves

Master plot of Scripture & cosmos **K – C – C – C/R – K**
King, Creation, Conflict, Cross/Resurrection, Kingdom

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Gospel Hospitality key to *momentum* in evangelism

Lesson 4

G R A C E

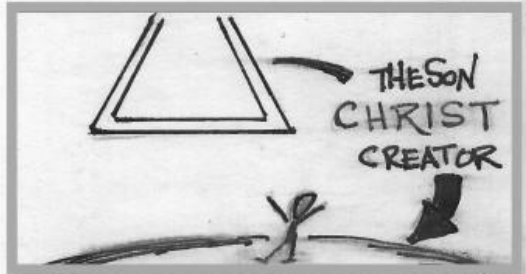
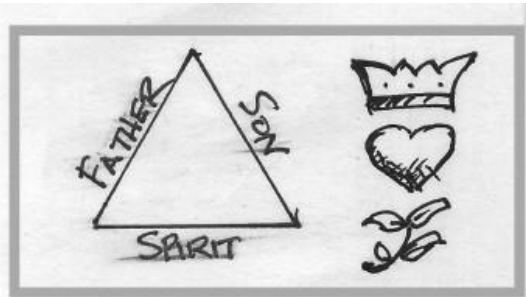
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we have replaced YHWH God's pure LAW {sovereignty & authority}
with our **autonomy**

we have replaced YHWH God's holy LOVE {covenant loyalty / devotion}
with our **disordered loves**

we have replaced YHWH God's shared LIFE {triune grace; giving living}
with our **self-centeredness** and **narcissisms**



G

God is Yahweh triune, the Sovereign, holy, good, wise and known in Christ

- in his perfect Being God's LAW is pure
- in his triune Being God's LOVE is pure
- in his eternal Being God's LIFE is pure
- Father, Son, Spirit are perfect joy

- Yahweh triune is the Great Giver.
- God is the Source of all gifts (grace).
- The triune God purposed to extend his joyous LAW, LOVE and LIFE. So, Christ created all things. He made us to mirror his beauty in the cosmos.

R

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But we reject God as our King. We take his gifts to use as we please. We are rebels. We use our identities to reflect self. We are gods. Our narcissisms define our existence. We are broken mirrors.

A

At-one-ment complete in Christ alone

Still, the Father, Son, Spirit purposed to share that pure LAW, LOVE and LIFE at great cost. In the Son, Jesus Christ alone, the holy penalty (the Cross) and new life (the Resurrection) restores us to God.

C

Come < reCreated < Chosen

Come to GRACE for all the world. Come in **faith** (trust in; empty) and **repentance** (turn from) to Christ's kingship. God alone is due glory for making us alive to himself.

E

Eternal Union with Christ. ENJOY!

In Christ alone we enter New Covenant LIFE with Father, Son, Spirit, with his Church, with eternal purpose, with eyes open to Scripture, with unending joy.

S. I. N. (Self Idolatry by Nature)

The dominant truth in Christianity is GRACE. The grace of God kills all idols because the power of grace is sourced only in his triune self-giving, covenant love. The Cross confronts our idols, personal and collective. The Cross is the opposite of our idols. Whatever we let come in front of Christ is a potential idol. Be warned - all idols are ravenous. Don't feed your idols.

<u>Ideology</u>	<u>its chief idol</u>	<u>its food</u>
Atheism	material evidence	←
Islam	culture of submission	←
Judaism	tradition	←
Humanism	progress	←
Scientism	controlling information	←
Secularism	free thought	←
Mormonism	purity culture	←
Ultra-con Christianity	purity culture	←
Hinduism	diversity	←
Catholicism	hierarchy	←
Racism	my ethnicity	←
Nationalism	our heritage	←
Shintoism	my ancestry	←
Mysticism	introspection	←
Hedonism	bucket list; best life now; thrills	←
Buddhism	dispassion	←
Pop Christianity	the latest thing	←