



FUNDAMENTAL GRACE BIBLE STUDY

CHAPTER 1 (11 April 2020)

THEME: The gospel of Christ is God's power to save sinners...

1. **Ministry Introduction (v. 1-14):**
 - a. Apostleship. by the Jesus, the prophesied Son & Christ of God
 - b. Ministry. received grace, peace, faith & ministry (sanctified in Christ)
 - c. Desire. prayer to see, establish, comfort & unite in faith (fruit!)
 - d. Audience. Everyone: Jew/Gentile, Greek/Barbarian, wise/unwise

2. **The Gospel of Christ Introduced (v. 15-17):**
 - a. Referenced as "gospel of God", "gospel of his Son" (1:2,9,16)
 - b. Ref. as "my gospel...acc. to the rev. of the mystery...kept secret" (2:16; 16:25)
 - c. Reveals the power of God → effects the salvation of God
 - d. Manifested unto all men → effectual to those that believe
 - e. Reveals the righteousness of God to justify life to the faithful of all time
 - f. Reveals the righteous wrath of God against sinners
 - g. Reveals the righteous judgment of God against sinners
 - h. Reveals the ungodliness & unrighteousness of men by suppression of truth

3. **The Righteous Wrath & Judgment of God Introduced (1:18-3:20):**
 - a. Enmity. God v. ungodly / right v. wrong / truth v. lies / order v. disorder
 - b. Supernatural Revelation. God gave spiritual know. of him to man by creation
 - c. Spiritual Disorder. Glory, worship due God → given to man (truth-to-lie)
 - d. Natural Disorder. Changing "natural use...against nature" which is "unseemly"
 - e. Complete Reprobation. "Filled with all unrighteousness" & "have pleasure" in it
 - f. Sentence of Death. Such ungodly, unrighteous & reprobate souls earn death

Prominent Verse (1:16) "...the gospel of Christ...is the power of God..."