

Experiencing God's Purpose Together
“How do You Respond to Jesus?”
John 3 11.16.14

FURTHER STUDY

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1. The gospel message requires a _____.
John 3:16-18

2. The gospel message is the _____ of the Christmas story.
Luke 2:8-14

3. The gospel message has _____ consequences.

- The unbeliever to eternal _____.
Matthew 13:41-42 Revelation 14:9-11

- The believer to eternal _____ with the Lord.
Matthew 13:43 Revelation 21:18-21

1. Mike stated that the “gospel” message is the essence of the Christmas story.
⇒ How is this true?
⇒ How do you hand that truth off to the generations that follow you?
2. Read the statement of belief below and list your observations and the “response” of belief that the gospel requires. (Read verses that follow for more insight.)

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2 Thessalonians 1:8	Acts 5:32
Acts 6:7	Acts 17:30
Romans 6:17	Romans 10:16
Hebrews 5:9	I Peter 1:22

3. Repentance is a key part in turning from sin to God. Although it is not something that is done in addition to faith as a “human work” to gain God’s favor, what role does repentance play in salvation: (Read the following verses.)

1 Thessalonians 1:8-10	Mark 1:14-15
Matthew 11:20-21	Matthew 12:41
Luke 13:3, 5, 7	Luke 16:30
Luke 24:46-47	

4. How would you best communicate to a friend or family member the truth that the key element of the response to the gospel is the fact that our response has eternal consequences? (Read and discuss from the perspective of the verses below.)

Matthew 7:13-14	Matthew 25:31-33
Luke 24:46-47	John 3:36
John 5:24	John 8:24
John 14:6	Romans 10:13-15