

Shalom! May the name of our Lord Jesus Christ be blessed. Welcome, beloved child of God. Today, we will reflect on an important duty: the responsibility of preaching the Gospel.

What is the Gospel?

The word Gospel means “Good News.” Any message that brings hope, salvation, or guidance to people can be called good news. However, there is only one true Gospel of salvation, often called the Gospel of the Cross. This Gospel centers on Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who was sent to take away the sins of the world (John 3:16). It concerns the salvation of humanity, all of whom have sinned (Romans 3:23). Therefore, this Gospel is relevant to every human being.

After Jesus ascended to heaven, it became a divine mandate that the Gospel be preached to all nations, so that every person may hear the message of salvation and freely choose life or death. This is why He commanded His disciples:

Mark 13:9-10 (ESV)

“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations.”

Jesus emphasizes that it is mandatory—the Gospel must reach every corner of the earth. Preaching the Gospel is a responsibility given to all who have received Christ. God always uses humans to proclaim His Word; He never sends animals, angels, or any other beings—He chooses human beings to carry out His mission.

The Danger of Not Preaching the Gospel

There is great danger in failing to use the spiritual gifts God has given you, including the gift of sharing the Gospel. The Lord saved you so that you could be a blessing to others, not only for your own joy. Most of us received salvation through someone preaching the Gospel faithfully. Failing to preach, therefore, is a serious sin for a Christian.

Preaching the Gospel is like passing on a spiritual chain: God’s truth must reach someone through another believer, who in turn reaches

another, continuing the chain of faith.

If a believer is saved but refuses to lead others to Christ, there is a grave spiritual risk. Consider the example of the prophet Ezekiel:

God revealed visions to Ezekiel, showing him His throne and the surrounding cherubim, and commanded him to warn the Israelites about their sins and impending judgment (Ezekiel 3:15-17). Initially, Ezekiel was afraid and remained silent for seven days. But God warned him that if he failed to warn the people, he would be held accountable for their blood.

Ezekiel 3:18-19 (ESV)

"If I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked and he does not turn from his wickedness or from his evil way, he shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul."

Ezekiel realized that delivering God's message is not optional—it is a matter of life and death. From that moment, he faithfully conveyed God's message.

Practical Application

If God has revealed a vision or conviction to you to warn others about sin and you remain silent, you risk their souls and face accountability before God. It is always better to share the message—even if people reject it—than to withhold it.

For example, if you know that sexual immorality or other sins lead to spiritual death, and you are free from these sins yourself, it is your duty to warn others. Your role is not to convert them forcibly, but to faithfully share the Gospel. Remember, the blind cannot lead the blind (Matthew 15:14).

Start acting today:

If you have preached before, resume boldly.

If fear has held you back, know that God can empower you just as He

empowered Ezekiel.

If you have not yet been saved, repent today while God's grace is available. Confess your sins, seek baptism, and allow the Holy Spirit to cleanse and perfect you as He is perfect (Mark 1:15).

Mark 1:15 (ESV)

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

The danger of ignoring this calling is real: sin leads to spiritual death, and God's justice is certain. Preach the Gospel faithfully, live a holy life, and let the world hear the Good News through you.

Shalom.

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