

## **The Gospel**

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1. Do you think Christians can become indifferent toward the Gospel? Why or why not?  If so, how does this indifference show up? What would you tell someone who is indifferent to the Gospel to do to reignite its majesty in their hearts?
2. How do you go about reminding yourself about God's involvement in your life as a whole and in your current circumstances? Are there any particular practices that have helped you remember what God has done for you in Christ? What happens if we don't practice reminding ourselves of what God has done for us in Christ?
3. Read Hebrews 3:14-15. How are the people of Israel "hardening their hearts" and not going into the promised land a good example for us when it comes to "holding fast" to our confession of Jesus? What did they do that we shouldn't do? How do we avoid it?
4. If you were to explain to someone why you're a Christian, what would you say? How would what you say differ from the "conversion story" of people who have become Mormon or Muslim? What makes Christian different from other world religions so that converting to it is more sensible than converting to another philosophy or religion?
5. Skeptics claim that the resurrection of Jesus was either a lie or a legend. Which of these is more compelling to you and why? How would you respond to people who make both of those claims? What about the resurrection makes it demonstrably not a lie and clearly not a legend?
6. According to verses 8-11, why was Paul so hardworking and committed to his work? What drove him? What motivation actually works to make us strongly committed Christians? Why?