

# Gospel Aha Moments

## *Glorious Gospel: 5*

### **God's love for people and hatred of sin are both satisfied.**

1 John 2:1 My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. NLT

Romans 8:31-34 What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. NIV

Hebrews 7:25 Therefore [Jesus] is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them. NIV

God found a loving solution to our sin problem.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. NIV

God's wrath toward sin is satisfied.

Romans 5:9 Since we have now been justified by [Jesus'] blood [shed on the cross], how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him [as the demonstration of his love continues]! NIV

### **We are now heaven-worthy.**

We are made pure.

Revelation 21:27 Nothing impure will ever enter [the New Jerusalem], nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life. NIV

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. NIV

Our sins are forgiven.

Acts 13:38-39 "Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. <sup>39</sup> Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses." NIV

Hebrews 10:17-18 Then [the Holy Spirit] adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more." <sup>18</sup> And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary." NIV

Romans 4:7-8 "Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. <sup>8</sup> Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord will never count against them." NIV

We have been washed.

Isaiah 64:6a All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags. NIV

1 Corinthians 6:11 And that is [the type of wrongdoers] some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. NIV

Ephesians 5:25-26 ...Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. NIV

We have been made new.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. The old has gone, the new is here! NIV (as footnoted)

We are now blameless.

1 Corinthians 1:8 He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. NIV

Ephesians 1:4a For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. NIV

### **The sacrificial system of the Old Testament makes sense.**

John 1:29 The next day John [the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" NIV

Hebrews 9:22 In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. NIV

Hebrews 10:1-12 The old system under the law of Moses was only a shadow, a dim preview of the good things to come, not the good things themselves. The sacrifices under that system were repeated again and again, year after year, but they were never able to provide perfect cleansing for those who came to worship. <sup>2</sup> If they could have provided perfect cleansing, the sacrifices would have stopped, for the worshipers would have been purified once for all time, and their feelings of guilt would have disappeared...<sup>4</sup> For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins...<sup>11</sup> Under the old covenant, the priest stands and ministers before the altar day after day, offering the same sacrifices again and again, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup> But our High Priest [Jesus,] offered himself to God as a single sacrifice for sins, good for all time. Then he sat down in the place of honor at God's right hand. NLT

1 Corinthians 5:7b For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. NIV

1 Peter 1:18-19 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. NIV