

## I Want to Remind You Series Review 1: Parts 1-3

### I Want to Remind You series introduction

**1 Corinthians** 15:1-2 (NIV) Now, brothers, *I want to remind you* of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

- *This series is focused on essential biblical truths to remind us what they mean, why they are important, why they are essential to our faith and how we can stand upon them.*

**John** 14:25-26 “All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”

- *Jesus knew his disciples would need help remembering what he had taught them.*

**2 Peter** 1:12 So *I will always remind you of these things*, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have.

### Part 1: Jesus – No Other Name: Jesus Christ is the Savior of the World... the Only Savior.

**John** 14:6-7 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

**Acts** 2:36 “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”

**Acts** 4:10-12 [Peter said] then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. He is “‘the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone.’ Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”

**Acts** 2:38-39 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off — for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

**Acts** 16:29-31 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved — you and your household.”

**John 4:42** They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”

**John 14:6** Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

**Luke 2:10-11** But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.

## **Part 2: I Will Build My Church**

**Matthew 16:18 (ESV)** And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

*What does the bible have to say about the church?*

1. *The church belongs to Jesus*

**Ephesians 5:23-24a** ...as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ...

2. *There is a single universal church that belongs to Jesus.*

**Acts 8:1** the church at Jerusalem

**1 Corinthians 1:2** the church of God in Corinth

3. *The New Testament church met in houses.*

**Romans 16:5a** Greet also the church in their house.

4. *The church has leadership responsible for, caring for and governing its members*

**Acts 20:28** Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.

**1 Timothy 3:5** ...for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church?

5. *The church has membership; it is a privilege to be a member (not a right).*

**Acts 12:1** About that time Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church.

**Matthew 18:17** If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

6. *The church has a purpose.*

**Acts 2:42-47** And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

***What is the purpose of the church?***

**John 21:17** [Jesus] said to [Peter] ... do you love me?" [Peter] said to [Jesus], "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to [Peter], "Feed my sheep."

**Matthew 16:15-17** [Jesus] said to [his disciples], "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

**Part 3: Nailing It to the Cross**

**Colossians 2:13-14 (ESV)** And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

**Acts 15:1** But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved."

- *Paul and others opposed this teaching because it attacked the gospel of the grace of God.*
- *Salvation is a gift; it is neither earned nor merited.*

**Romans 5:17** If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

**Acts 15:7** And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe."

**Acts 10:44-46** While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared...

**Acts 15:10-11** Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.”

- *Through the grace of the Lord Jesus – and not through keeping the law – “we” – referring to the Jews – “shall be saved in the same manner as they (the Gentiles).”*

**Acts 15:12** And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles.

**Colossians 2:11-15** In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, **nailing it to the cross**. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

- *We are not saved by anything we do nor by anything we accomplish nor do we earn salvation by works of righteousness. It takes humility, repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, in what Jesus accomplished on Calvary, that he died in our place because there was nothing we could do to pay that price. This is **grace**, the gift given that we cannot earn, that Jesus died for us even before we repented from our sin.*

**1 Corinthians 1:18** For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.