I. THE GOSPEL IS GOOD NEWS. VERSES 1-2

“I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you.”

What is the gospel?
It is the good news that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures.
It is why Christ came.

“Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.”
I Timothy 1:15
All of us have sinned. We have missed the mark of God’s perfect holiness.
Jesus chose to die in our place as a substitute to pay the penalty for our sin, so that through faith in him, we might have eternal life.

II. THE RESURRECTION IS THE PROOF THAT THE GOSPEL IS TRUE. VERSES 5-8

“Without the resurrection, salvation could not be provided. Without belief in the resurrection, salvation cannot be received.”
John MacArthur
“Christianity does not hold the resurrection to be one among many tenets of belief. Without faith in the resurrection there would be no Christianity at all. The Christian church would never have begun; the Jesus movement would have fizzled out like a damp squib with his crucifixion. Christianity stands or falls with the resurrection. Once disprove it and you have disposed of all of Christianity.” Michael Green

There is only one gospel.

“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 4:12

How do we know it’s true?

For the Apostle Paul, the evidence for the resurrection rested on three things:

• The authority of the Scriptures.
• The testimony of eyewitnesses.
• Paul’s personal encounter with Jesus. Acts 9

III. THE GOSPEL TRANSFORMS LIVES. VERSES 9-11

The gospel changed Paul’s life.

The gospel transforms communities.

The gospel will impact the whole world.

“But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his unlimited patience as an example for those who would believe on him and receive eternal life.” 1 Timothy 1:16

“The gospel is the message that God has fulfilled his promise to send a savior to rescue broken people, restore creation’s glory and rule over all with compassion and justice.” Bryan Chapell
“The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.” Romans 8:19-21

“It was the world ‘with the dew still on it,’ to use MacLean’s phrase. And it will be our Paradise again. We seem to have forgotten — or perhaps we’ve never been told — that we get the earth back as well.”
John Eldridge, The Journey of Desire

**Conclusion**

The gospel is God’s good news to man.
The resurrection is the proof that the gospel is true.
The gospel transforms lives. “It is the power of God for salvation for all who believe.”