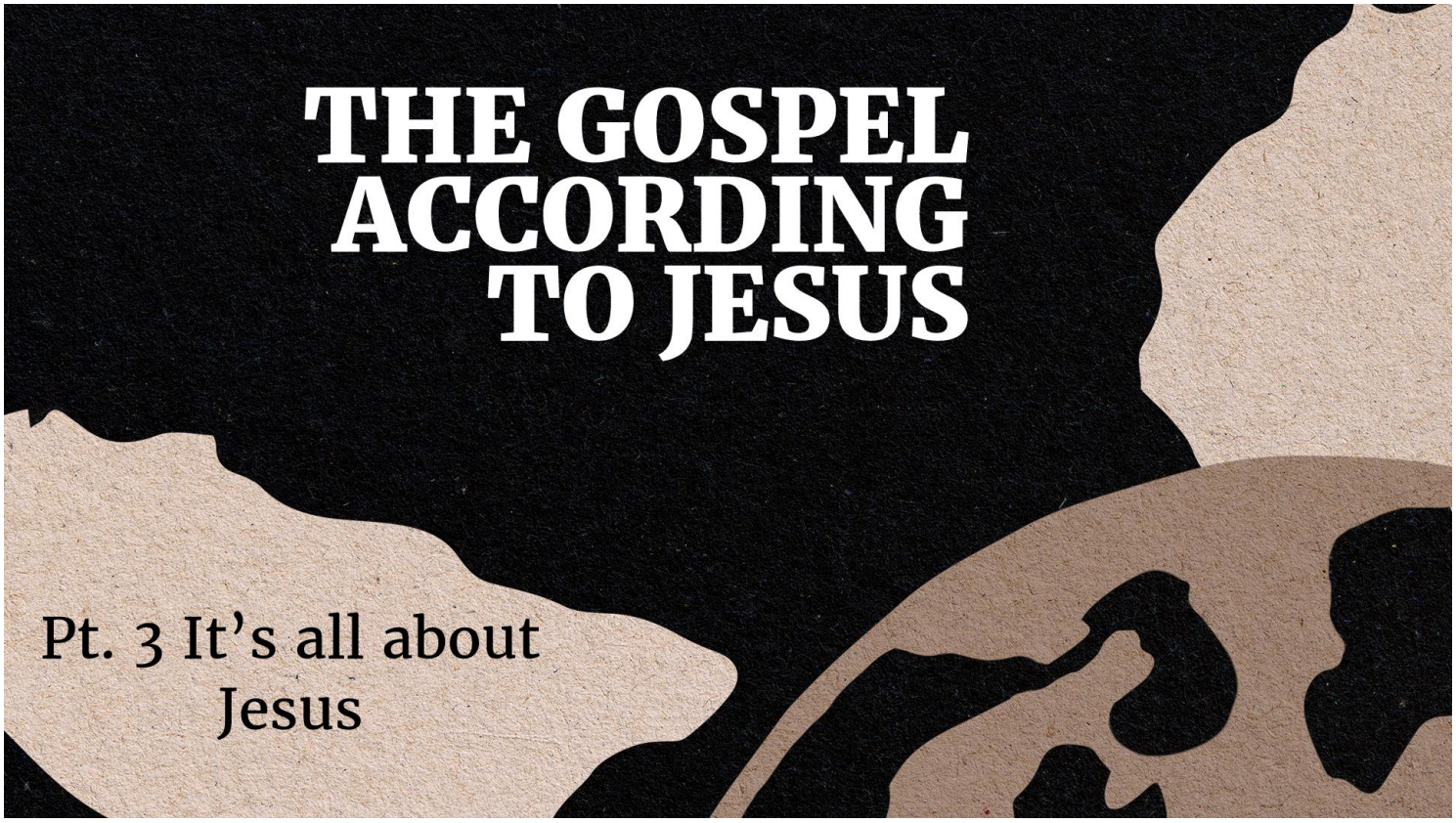

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JESUS
Pt. 3 It's all about Jesus

The question of salvation always comes down to this:

What do you believe about Jesus?



and...
How does that change the way you think, believe and live?



24 “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but *if it dies, it bears much fruit*.

John 12:24–26



25 “He who loves his life
loses it, and he who
hates his life in this
world will keep it to life
eternal.

John 12:24–26



26 “*If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me*; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.

John 12:24–26



Jesus did not reduce the gospel to a one-time prayer
He emphasized the choice to *walk with Him*:
Abiding...following...



4 “*Abide in Me, and I in you*. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it *abides* in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you *abide* in Me.

John 15:4–12



5 “I am the vine, you are the branches; he who *abides* in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for *apart from Me you can do nothing*.

John 15:4–12



6 “If anyone does not *abide* in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned.

John 15:4–12



7 “If you *abide* in Me, and *My words abide in you*, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

John 15:4–12



8 “My Father is glorified by this, that you *bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples*.

John 15:4–12



9 “Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; *abide in My love*.

John 15:4–12



10 “*If you keep My commandments*, *you will abide in My love*; **just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.**

John 15:4–12



11 “These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full.

John 15:4–12



12 “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you.

John 15:4–12



Abiding in Jesus means we *depend on Him* so that we can *live* and *love* the way He does.



No one can work to *earn* salvation, but we do prove (demonstrate) our salvation by our works (*deeds*).



4 The one who says, “I have come to know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him;

1 John 2:4–6



5 but whoever keeps His word, *in him the love of God has truly been perfected*. By this we know that we are in Him:

1 John 2:4–6



6 *the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.*

1 John 2:4–6



The most notable change in our lifestyle will be our increasing capacity to love (*forgive, persevere, show mercy, kindness, etc.*)



10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10–14



11 Beloved, *if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another*.

1 John 4:10–14



12 No one has seen God
at any time; *if we love
one another, God abides in
us, and His love is
perfected in us*.

1 John 4:10–14



13 By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

1 John 4:10–14



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