



2022 Bible Advocate Theme “Living the Gospel”

Our world has no shortage of bad news today. We do not need to list here all the examples we’ve seen the last few years; we’ve experienced them! But for all the bad news, there is good news as well, and Christians are ambassadors of it. Indeed, the bad and the worst have a way of making the good sound all the better.

With this in mind, the *Bible Advocate* is dedicating our six issues of 2022 to what must be the heart of our faith: the gospel. The Greek word *evangelion* translates to *gospel* in English, and both mean “good news.” What is the good news that we are heralds of? In a single word, *Jesus!* We want to spend the year focusing on “the gospel of God . . . concerning His Son” (Romans 1:1-4) and why “the gospel of Jesus . . .

[and] the kingdom” (Mark 1:1, 14) is the good news we need right now.

As “Living the Gospel” indicates, believers are heralds of the gospel not only in word but also in deed. We must proclaim the gospel, and we must live it. The word of the gospel is more powerful and persuasive as it flows from a life formed by the good news — *a life that is good news!*

So join our 2022 journey as we explore the gospel. In addition to instructive Bible-focused articles, we welcome your testimonies about witnessing, outreach, and discipleship. Send your articles in a Word document with contact name and submission information to jason.overman@cog7.org.

January-February: The Gospel of God

(Romans 1:1-4)

How the gospel is promised and prefigured in the Old Testament and has its divine origin in the Father

Submission deadline: October 15, 2021

March-April: The Gospel of the Kingdom

(Matthew 4:23)

How the gospel is tangibly revealed in the person and ministry of Jesus, according to the four Gospels

Submission deadline: December 13, 2021

May-June: The Gospel of Jesus Christ

(Romans 1:16)

How the gospel story is about the crucified and resurrected Christ and the power of salvation through Him

Submission deadline: February 14, 2022

July-August: The Truth of the Gospel

(Galatians 2:5)

How the gospel calls us and claims our lives for the obedience of faith; the cost of discipleship

Submission deadline: April 15, 2022

September-October: The People of the Gospel

(Ephesians 1:13)

How the gospel forms a people who embody and perpetuate the gospel story, by the Spirit, to the world

Submission deadline: June 13, 2022

November-December: The Hope of the Gospel

(Colossians 1:23)

How the gospel shapes expectations and calls for endurance as we await Christ and His kingdom

Submission deadline: August 15, 2022