



4. Proclaim the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ.

Summary: The gospel is simple yet amazingly profound, freely offered yet extremely costly, and should be communicated as such. While the gospel can be simply conveyed to children, our approach should not be simplistic. We are to lay a solid, deep foundation by clearly and patiently presenting the key essential truths of the gospel found throughout the Bible. Through repeating and explaining these with increasing depth, we hope to help children see the splendor, majesty, and holiness of God, the enormity of their sin problem, and the immeasurable love and grace of God in Christ, resulting in true repentance and genuine belief.

Application at church:

- Lead fathers through a seminar explaining to them how to prepare their children for baptism (see [Established in the Faith](#) by David Michael).
- Lead families through the Ten Essential Truths from [Helping Children to Understand the Gospel](#) and [To Be Like Jesus](#) to your upper elementary class.
- Teach [Jesus, What a Savior](#) to your kindergarten/first grade class.
- Encourage children to be present when you are baptizing new believers. Articulate the gospel at this time or encourage those being baptized to give a robust profession of faith and an explanation of the gospel.
- Preach a series carefully and comprehensively explaining the gospel.
- Listen to the following Truth 78 conference plenary talks: [God is the Gospel](#) by John Piper; [Teaching the Richness of Entire Gospel, Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) by Wayne Gruden

Application at home:

- Read [Helping Children to Understand the Gospel](#) explaining each of the Ten Essential Truths and/or using the devotional section.
- Read [God's Gospel](#) by Jill Nelson with your children.
- Read [The World Created, Fallen, Redeemed, Restored](#) by Sally Michael with your children.
- Share your testimony with your children or invite someone else to share his/her testimony.
- Read a missionary/Christian biography together as a family.
- Go through [Established in the Faith](#) by David Michael with your child.
- Use [Glorious God, Glorious Gospel](#) as a family devotional.

Resources:

- *Helping Children to Understand the Gospel*
<https://www.truth78.org/helping-children-to-understand-the-gospel>
- *God's Gospel* <https://www.truth78.org/gods-gospel>
- *Established in the Faith* <https://www.truth78.org/established-in-the-faith>
- *Glorious God, Glorious Gospel*
<https://www.truth78.org/glorious-god-glorious-gospel>
- *The World Created, Fallen, Redeemed, Restored*
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