



**The Significance Of The Gospel**  
**UNSHAKEN: Living Like A Colossian - Part 1**  
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**Why I should know the “True Gospel”:**

**1. Early Christians turned to a “different gospel”.**

<sup>6</sup> I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— <sup>7</sup> which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. **Galatians 1:6-7 (NIV)**

(Note: There are different gospels preached today!)

**2. I can be deceived. Be a Colossian - (NOT a Galatian!)**

<sup>6</sup> So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. <sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. **Colossians 2:6-8 (NIV)**

**3. I can know the “True Gospel”.**

<sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people—  
<sup>5</sup> the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. **Colossians 1:3-6 (NIV)**

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**How do I believe the “True Gospel”?**

**1. I decide to be a seeker of truth.**

<sup>6</sup> God “will repay each person according to what they have done.” <sup>7</sup> To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. <sup>8</sup> But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. **Romans 2:6-8 (NIV)**

<sup>17</sup> Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.

<sup>18</sup> Whoever speaks on their own does so to gain personal glory, but he who seeks the glory of the one who sent him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him. **John 7:17-18 (NIV)**

**2. I include God in my seeking.**

<sup>5</sup> If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. **James 1:5 (NIV)**

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives. **Colossians 1:9 (NIV)**

**3. I check out what I am taught.**

<sup>11</sup> Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true. <sup>12</sup> As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men. **Acts 17:11-12 (NIV)**

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