

A Privilege to Proclaim the true Gospel of the Goodness of God

It is a privilege to be a preacher of the Gospel; it is a wonderful thing to share the Word of God with others, of His salvation, and just how good He is.

It is a wonderful thing to see how this Word has the power to make itself precious to those who hear it. In particular is it rewarding to see the assurance of salvation take the place of dread and despair in the hearts and minds of those about to die, as they hear the promise of God of full forgiveness for all sins and shortcomings, given to them out of His goodness alone, all on account of what He Himself has done for sinners in the suffering and death of His Son. It is wonderful to see His peace crown a life in the love of God, under His Word of salvation, or to see its light dawn as the most beautiful sunrise to someone for whom it is all new. How glorious it is to see the Gospel drive away fear in the hearts of minds of those who have been made to think that if they have not lived with God up until now, or have otherwise not done well enough in life, He will not be there for them now, in death. What a privilege it is to see the power of the Gospel at work where nothing else can bring assurance; not your own goodness, nothing you yourself have done in life, with God or otherwise, nothing but what He Himself has done. As Holy Scripture says it: "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and are justified freely by His grace through the redemption in Christ Jesus whom God set forth as an atoning sacrifice by His blood, to be received by faith" (Romans 3:23-25).

God really is that good! The Son of God, who is Himself God from eternity, has taken it upon Himself to bear His own judgement against all sin. And with that, the sin of all sinners is dealt with and done away with, and you shall not perish and die in His judgement, but live and be with Him forever in the fullness of His goodness and His glory. Such is His promise to sinners. And what He promises He gives, fully and for real, with His promise, to all who hear it and take it to heart.

This is the true Gospel: the Word of the goodness of God, and His goodness alone! This is the Christian faith: God really is that good! And even though not all will hear it, it is a privilege to proclaim this precious Gospel - because the Word of the goodness of God is so sweet in itself!