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the Gospel of the Grace of God*

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*This book is dedicated  
to my dearly beloved husband, David,  
who is my closest companion  
in life and ministry,  
to my children and grandchildren  
who fill my heart with daily joy and love,  
and to all of those  
who are determined  
to preach the gospel,  
the whole gospel,  
and NOTHING but the gospel.*

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## *What We Believe and Teach*

For more information about our ministry, please visit our website.<sup>1</sup>

- *There is one God, eternally preexistent as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit; that is to say, we believe in the Trinity of God. This God is love and deeply loves mankind whom He has created. He demonstrates His love for all by giving His Son to die for us that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life (Romans 5:8; John 3:16).*
- *Each original word of Scripture in both the Old and New Testaments was given by inspiration of God, is relevant to believers today, and must be interpreted in context, its original significance, and in light of the New Covenant (2 Peter 1:19-21; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 3:15-16).*
- *Jesus was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, was crucified, died, and bodily rose from the dead to eternally redeem those who would believe in Him and confess Him as the Lord. He lived on earth fully man and fully God, and He is the only mediator between man and God. The work of the cross of Christ was God's complete work upon which no improvement can be made by man (Romans 10:9-10; Hebrews 9:12; 1 Timothy 2:5; John 19:30; Colossians 2:9-10; Hebrews 10:14; Galatians 3:3).*
- *The commandments of the New Covenant are that we believe in the name of God's Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another. Believing in His Son*

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.graceandfaithministries.org>

*and loving one another are our highest expressions of love for God (1 John 3:23; Matthew 25:40; John 14:21; John 21:15).*

- We are saved by grace alone through faith in Christ alone, initially (at salvation), continually (in this life), and eventually (at His return). While believers are created for good works, they are not saved by them (Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:4-6).*
- Our behavior is a fruit of our imputed right-standing with God. Since we are freed from sin and made holy, blameless, and righteous by faith, we are motivated to live a holy life. When we fall short, the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin (Romans 5:17; Romans 6:1-14; Galatians 5:22; Colossians 1:21-23; Romans 6:22; 1 John 2:1; 1 John 1:7).*
- At the moment of salvation, Jesus Christ lives inside of believers by faith, and they are seated in heavenly places with Christ Jesus. All believers dwell continually in God's presence and His presence dwells continually in them because of the blood of Christ and they are full sons of God by faith in Jesus Christ. (Colossians 1:27; Ephesians 2:6; Hebrews 4:14-16; Galatians 3:26).*
- All of the gifts and ministry gifts in operation in the Early Church are available to believers today and are to be manifested "decently and in order" by grace through faith alone (Acts 2:38-39; Galatians 3:2-5; Romans 11:29).*
- We believe in the final resurrection of both the saved and the lost; the former to eternal life and latter to eternal judgment; (Revelation 20:11-15; John 3:17-18)*
- We believe in the imminent return of Jesus Christ; the Rapture of the Church (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Corinthians 15:50-55).*

# Foreword

Here is what those who have read Are We Preaching “Another” Gospel? have to say.

The moment I met Cathy Hildebrand and her husband, David, I knew that we shared a kindred heart for the gospel of God’s unfathomable grace. Now I am delighted to be able to recommend this incredible book to my friends and every believer who has ever felt like the Jesus they originally fell in love with was somehow hijacked by man-made philosophies and burdensome religious superstition. Are We Preaching “Another” Gospel? is a clear and compassionate call for believers everywhere—including pastors and leaders—to honestly evaluate whether we are truly believing and preaching the gospel of Jesus and the apostles. We can certainly agree to disagree about many things in the big tent of Christianity, but if we get the gospel wrong, the consequences are too great to ignore. Don’t just read this book. Meditate upon its content. Study it with your Bible in hand. See if my friend Cathy isn’t on to something huge here. I think you’ll agree that she is...and it matters...a lot!

*Jeremy White*  
*Pastor and Author of The Gospel Uncut: Learning to Rest in the*  
*Grace of God*

The question, “Are we preaching ‘another’ gospel?” to me as a layperson who studies to show herself approved, but who sits in the sanctuary rather than preaches from the podium, translated to, “Am I *believing* ‘another’ gospel?” My cousin Cathy’s book compelled me to search deeper in both my King James Study Bible and into my own heart and mind. Ever vigilant to avoid entertaining false doctrines, I read Are We Preaching “Another” Gospel? ready to argue every assertion. The book challenged me to question if my belief and practice of Grace by Faith aligns with Scripture and to seek God to open my eyes and my spirit, to provide me discernment in His word, the Gospel, and in my faith and His grace. While often I disagreed and argued and once even thought I would not read another word, I still was spiritually urged to continue to read and search the Scriptures for the truth of Grace by Faith. Throughout my reading, I was amazed at how much more time I spent in my Bible, seeking either confirmation or refutation of what I was reading. In the end, I realized how much I enjoyed the spiritual exercise and how much stronger I had become in His Word, in Grace by Faith, the Gospel of Christ, and most of all, my

gratefulness for the Cross and the Blood of the Lamb. Thank you, Jesus, for the manger, the cross, and the Gospel. I would run this marathon again.

*Nancy Morin  
Sincere Follower of Christ*

Cathy and I have been close friends since the third grade. I know in my heart that the Lord put her in my life, and I feel blessed and proud to say our friendship is still wonderful 52 years later. More importantly to me, Cathy has guided me through the years in my pursuit of learning the true meaning of Scripture. Growing up in a Catholic family, I was taught to fear God, continually ask for forgiveness of sins, and that salvation is earned. Even though I felt God's love, I questioned a lot of the teachings of the Catholic Church, and always felt as if "something" was missing. The "something" came in the way of Cathy sharing grace through faith with me. I studied Scripture in the New Testament carefully, and prayed for complete understanding of the gospel of Jesus and the apostles. Over time, I came to realize the true meaning of Christianity and carry a joy in my heart I cannot describe. How had I been incorporating man-made laws that I could never accomplish on my own? How could this have happened, and how many Christians are out there experiencing the same thing? Living in a world where we are constantly told to do our best in order to reap our reward cannot apply to God. We can never earn our own salvation, and Cathy brilliantly argues this point in her book Are We Preaching "Another" Gospel? through Scripture.

This book is a must-read for all searching to understand what Jesus accomplished for us when He died on the cross, and the simple, but perfect plan He calls His believers to follow. I am grateful for her careful study of Scripture and how she challenges all of us, including pastors and spiritual leaders, to make sure we are preaching the true gospel. Thank you, Cathy, for writing this book.

*Your loving friend and sister in Christ,  
Linda Atme*

Out of the midst of traditional, "stench of death" religion arises a sweet fragrance of liberty declaring the beautiful simplicity of Christ in us, the hope of glory! Skillfully written by Cathy Hildebrand, Are We Preaching "Another" Gospel? confirms the heart-cry of believers around the world! May this instrument be refreshing breath, clear vision, and freedom to the body of Christ!

Carolyn Graham  
Co-Pastor of Narrow Way Ministries, Roswell, New Mexico

Uncle Dave and Aunt Cathy (the author) led me to Christ 33 years ago. I am forever grateful. When my aunt asked me to read this book, I was both honored and a little skeptical—honored because she is my aunt and skeptical because she comes from an Assemblies of God perspective and my seminary training is Baptist. Regardless, there is much we agree on when it comes to the importance of grace through Jesus Christ's death and resurrection as the only and completely sufficient way to salvation and freedom from the tyranny of legalism. Her analysis and arguments are well-researched and her passion undeniable. Are We Preaching "Another" Gospel? is worth the time to consider the importance of grace and the danger of teaching works as the way to please God or earn His favor.

Rick Pierce  
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Are We Preaching "Another" Gospel? is an excellent resource for anyone interested in the fullness and goodness of God's grace. Christian laymen, pastors, elders, and small-group leaders alike will benefit greatly from the insights Cathy shares.

This book will help you dig out from much of the legalism and traditions under which we find ourselves buried in our walk with God. "Preaching the gospel of grace to the saved" may seem unnecessary to many at first glance; it did to my wife and me. But being reminded of "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit" has helped us return to our first love. Once again we have the joy and peace we knew when we first came to Jesus. Living the abundant life Jesus promised is possible, and our eternal life starts now, not sometime in the hereafter. Jesus and the New Covenant make all of this and more a reality in our daily lives.

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As a Christian and a minister, I have been following the "Grace" teachings for 25 years. The Grace/Gospel/New Covenant message radically changed my life and relationship with God. Are We Preaching

“Another” Gospel? is the clearest and most understandable presentation of the many facets of the gospel that Jesus died to give us that I have read so far. This book is a “must-read” and a “must-study” book for any Christian minister or teacher who has the privilege to teach THE gospel of Jesus. This book is not just for ministers, though, as it is written clearly enough for anyone who wants to see the beauty and depths of Jesus and His completed mission. Every minister should have their staff and congregations read this book. Lives will be changed from knowing and understanding the gospel, which is the power of God.

Are We Preaching “Another” Gospel? was born out of Cathy’s passion for the truth that sets people free and to expose the errors that bind us. She is one of the most diligent and honest students of the Bible that I have known or observed in my 39 years of being a Christian and a minister. For 38 of those years I have had the blessing and privilege of knowing her as my best friend and partner in life and ministry. Thank you, Cathy, for writing this great work, and for being the true love of my life.

*David Hildebrand  
Beloved Husband  
Pastor, Teacher  
Co-Founder of Studies in Grace and Faith*

## *Acknowledgements*

*M*y mother, being a pastor’s child in the 1920-40s, was raised in a super legalistic environment which made her determined to raise me with an abundance of grace. I knew God’s grace and hers every day of my life. She loved me when I didn’t deserve it and spoke of His love for me by every word and deed of hers. Her love allowed me to love my children the same way even when I was being taught contrarily about God’s love for me. I have never known human love so beautiful and complete as my mother’s, Enid Bennett Whitt (1922-1984).

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Finally, I want to express that I am so blessed and so thankful for my husband of 38 years<sup>2</sup>. We have been working closely together throughout our marriage in ministry to family and in ministry to the body of Christ. Although David does most of the speaking, and I do most of the writing, we both study independently and together when assembling our teachings. We appreciate and value each other's callings and gifts and treasure how God combines them to create something beautiful.

The ideas I share here reflect both of our beliefs; however, when I was finally ready to write this book, David graciously stepped aside and let me spread my wings and fly "solo". He has been my biggest supporter during this time of writing, encouraging me and calming my fears. I love you, David, and thank God for bringing us together. You will always be my dearest friend.

So, in view of all of those who have contributed to this book and who work with us in sharing the good news with God's beloved people, I'd like to say:

***Ecclesiastes 4:9-12***

*Two are better than one,*

*Because they have a good reward for their labor.*

*<sup>10</sup> For if they fall, one will lift up his companion.*

*But woe to him who is alone when he falls,*

*For he has no one to help him up.*

*<sup>11</sup> Again, if two lie down together, they will keep warm;*

*But how can one be warm alone?*

*<sup>12</sup> Though one may be overpowered by another,*

*Two can withstand him.*

*And a threefold cord is not quickly broken.*

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<sup>2</sup> It will be 51 years in 2026.