

GOSPEL PRESENTATION

Honor Restored

In the beginning God created a good world and gave humans great dignity. The world reflected God's love and greatness.

Genesis 1 :1

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Genesis 1 :27

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them."

Genesis 1 :31

"And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good."

Under God's care, people honored Him as their Father and lived in a perfect relationship with Him.

The problem - humans rebelled against the Creator, their Father. Through this we dishonored our relationship with Him. This causes us to feel shame because our relationship is broken. This leads to guilt, fear, and regret because we are not living in the relationship of love that we were created for.

The solution - God loves humanity so much that He came to rescue us and restore our relationship with Him through His Son Jesus. Jesus lived a perfect life that shows us exactly what God is like. The humans that He created rejected, abandoned, and murdered Him. He suffered an unjust and shameful death on a cross. It was through His death that He took our guilt, fear, and shame so that our broken relationship could be restored. Jesus was raised to life by the power of God. He is seated in a place of honor and has the right to restore our relationship with God now and forever.

You have a choice - to bear your own shame and remain in a broken relationship outside of God's family. Or, you can trust Jesus to bear your shame and realize that you are accepted, loved, and forgiven because of who He is and what He has done for you.

The result - you can leave guilt, fear, and shame behind to share in the honor Jesus has been given and have a new life in God's family both now and forever.

Placing your trust in Jesus changes your story. It changes from guilt, shame, and fear to being restored, included, and honored by God.

Pray - God, you know the guilt, shame, and fear that I have in my life. I now realize that it is because of my broken relationship with you, my Creator and Father. I believe and trust in what Jesus has done for me to be restored, included, and honored in the family of God. In Jesus name. Amen.