

Introduction to FAITH, HOPE and LOVE

The gospel means that Christians grow.



This week is an introduction to the next three weeks.

The next weeks we'll have a look at how we grow in **faith**, **hope** and **love** – one each week.

But for this week, we're going to have a quick look at how faith, hope and love are linked and remind ourselves of the gospel message because it's the gospel that means we grow.

Faith, hope and love

Have a read at the two verses below and answer the questions.

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ because we have heard of your **faith** in Christ Jesus and of the **love** you have for all God's people – ⁵ 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. Colossians 1:3-5

How are faith, hope and love linked by Paul in Colossians?

What message was it where they heard about hope?

² We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. ³ We remember before our God and Father your *work* produced by **faith**, your *labour* prompted by **love**, and your *endurance* inspired by **hope** in our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

What three things come from faith, love and hope?

The gospel

Can you look up the following verses (or at least two?) and write down what it says in your own words.

Why (in your own words) is it good news?

Isaiah 53:5

Mark 10:45

John 3:16

Acts 10:43

Romans 5:8



1. Christians will keep understanding the gospel more and more throughout their whole lives. Have a look back at the last section – the more you remember the facts of the gospel, why do you think that would make you willing to change?
2. If someone asked you what the gospel is, what would you say?

sermon notes

Passage:

Date:

Preacher:

The main headings:

Doodles



New ideas or things
I learn.

Questions I want to be
answered as I listen.

✝ How does the gospel make
a difference to why
Christians grow?

What questions do you have?

What's the main application?

After the service What do you want to share with your family from what you've heard?

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s i m o s n a r k s c w o r k
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d g i s t v m c a r s m i y r
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