Touchdown September 13, 2015 "Celebrate Salvation"

1. Perhaps the greatest of Wins in this life, is a person's Salvation.

"What man among you, if he has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open pasture and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' I tell you that in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Luke 15:4-7 (NASB)

"Or what woman, if she has ten silver coins and loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin which I had lost!' In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Luke 15:8-10 (NASB)

2. The Gospel is God's winning Game plan!

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings **salvation** to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

Romans 1:16-17 (NIV)

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that **Christ died for our sins** according to the Scriptures, that **he was buried**, that **he was raised on the third day.**

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 (NIV)

3. We execute the strategy through **Confession!**

... if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Romans 10:9-10 (NASB)

It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak,

2 Corinthians 4:13 (NIV)

God, ... calls into being that which does not exist.

Romans 4:17 (NASB)

4. Know Jesus, know Peace... No Jesus, No Peace!

He is the STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED by you, THE BUILDERS, but WHICH BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER stone. And there is **salvation** in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 4:11-12 (NASB)

Announcements:

Sept. 13th Life Group Uplink

Sept. 20th - NEW SERMON SERIES - "You Are Here" - Invite a friend! Sept. 20th - Connect 1.0 & 2.0... Come find out more about Awaken and how to get involved!

Oct. 24th - SERVE DAY - Save the Date