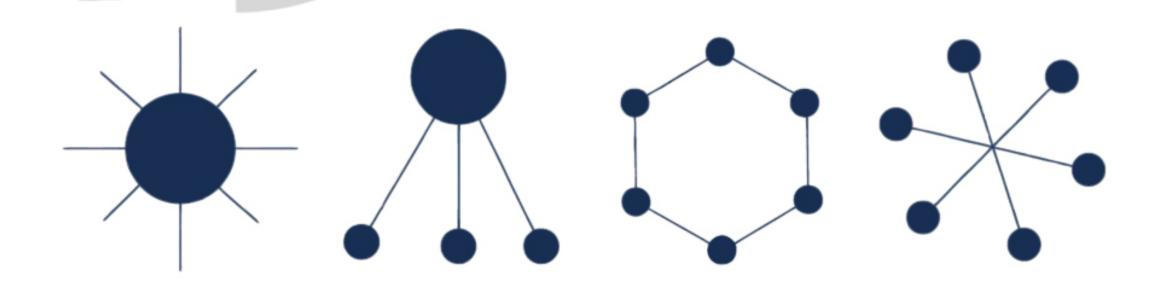
GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP



Saturday, November 20th, 8am-noon



THE SIGN OF JONAH

— Luke 11:27-36 —



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The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

— 1 John 3:8



Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

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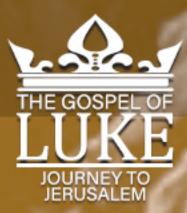
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And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!"

— Luke 1:41-42



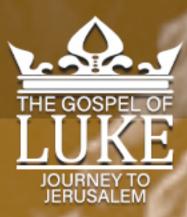
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And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word."

— Luke 1:38



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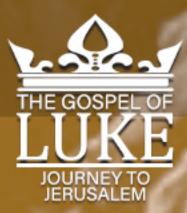
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But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

— Matthew 12:38-40



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No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar or under a basket, but on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light.

— vs 33



Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eye is healthy, your whole body is full of light, but when it is bad, your whole body is full of darkness. Therefore be careful lest the light in you be darkness. If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, it will be wholly bright, as when a lamp with its rays gives you light."

— vv 34-36



"When the eyes of the soul are clear, we are able to see the light of Jesus Christ shining in the gospel. We perceive that he really is the Son of God and the Savior of the world. We see the cross and the empty tomb — the signs for all times. We believe that Jesus died for our sins on the cross and rose again to give us eternal life. The love of Christ shines brightly in our hearts, and we start walking in the light of his love. But when our spiritual eyes are bad — when they are covered with the cataract of unrepentant sin or blinded by the skeptical demand for more and more evidence — then we cannot see Jesus as our Savior. The problem is not that we do not have enough light, as if God needed to give us a more brilliant sign. No, God has given us enough light in his gospel. The problem is that we cannot see it because our hearts are still in darkness."

— Philip Ryken



But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

— 1 Peter 2:9

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son

— Colossians 1:13



