

**HEALING STREAM MINISTRIES** presents...

**THE UNDILUTED, FULL STRENGTH, THREE ANGELS' MESSAGES**  
with enough power to...

- **cleanses from all sin**
  - **set us free from all bondage**
  - **break all the power of the enemy over us**
  - **restore us to total spiritual health**
  - **develop immunity to all last-day deceptions**
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### **#54 – How Good is the Good News?**

How good is the good news of the everlasting gospel as contained in the three angels' messages? The term "everlasting gospel" occurs only once in all of Scripture, in Revelation 14:6. This term is a compound of two words derived from the "everlasting covenant" of the Old Testament and the "gospel" found primarily in the New Testament. The plan of salvation is based solely on God's covenant. We do not come to Him seeking to obtain a negotiated contract – similarly to a "let's make a deal" arrangement. God saves us, not on basis of anything we have ever done or will ever do. He saves us only according to His covenant. He saves us not because of some worthiness of character in us, but He saves us because of His character, because of what He is like.

The gospel is truly good news to...

- the "poor,"- because we are all bankrupt, having no resources within ourselves with which to save ourselves.
- those facing impossible situations, because the saving of any sinner is always an impossibility without Christ.
- the helpless and the hopeless, to those who are at the end of their rope.
- those who owed a debt they could not pay, and now discover that Someone has paid for them the ransom for their deliverance.
- to those imprisoned and taken captive by their own sins that they can now be set free.
- those blinded by sin - "I once was blind but now I see."
- those who have worked so hard to be saved, and who now discover that salvation is a free gift. Having faced the disappointment that their good works could not ever accomplish their salvation, they can now experience immense relief as they now can rest from their own works through Christ's gift of salvation.

- those whose lives are mired in self-condemning thoughts of worthlessness. While we are always unworthy, yet we are not worthless. God takes special delight in giving unworthy people an unshakeable sense of worth that comes from their identity being rooted in who Jesus is and in what He did on the cross. Solid self-esteem is really 'Christ esteem' – what does God think of us 'in' Christ?
- criminals and rebels [which we all are] to discover that the heavenly Judge wants to adopt us as His own personal heirs, with all the rights and privileges thereunto pertaining.
- convicts on death row [which we all are] that the Son of the Judge took our place and received our sentence. *"Amazing love, how can it be, that Thou my God should die for me?"*
- those who in Christ's redemptive work see how good God is, and who allow that goodness to lead them to repentance.

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