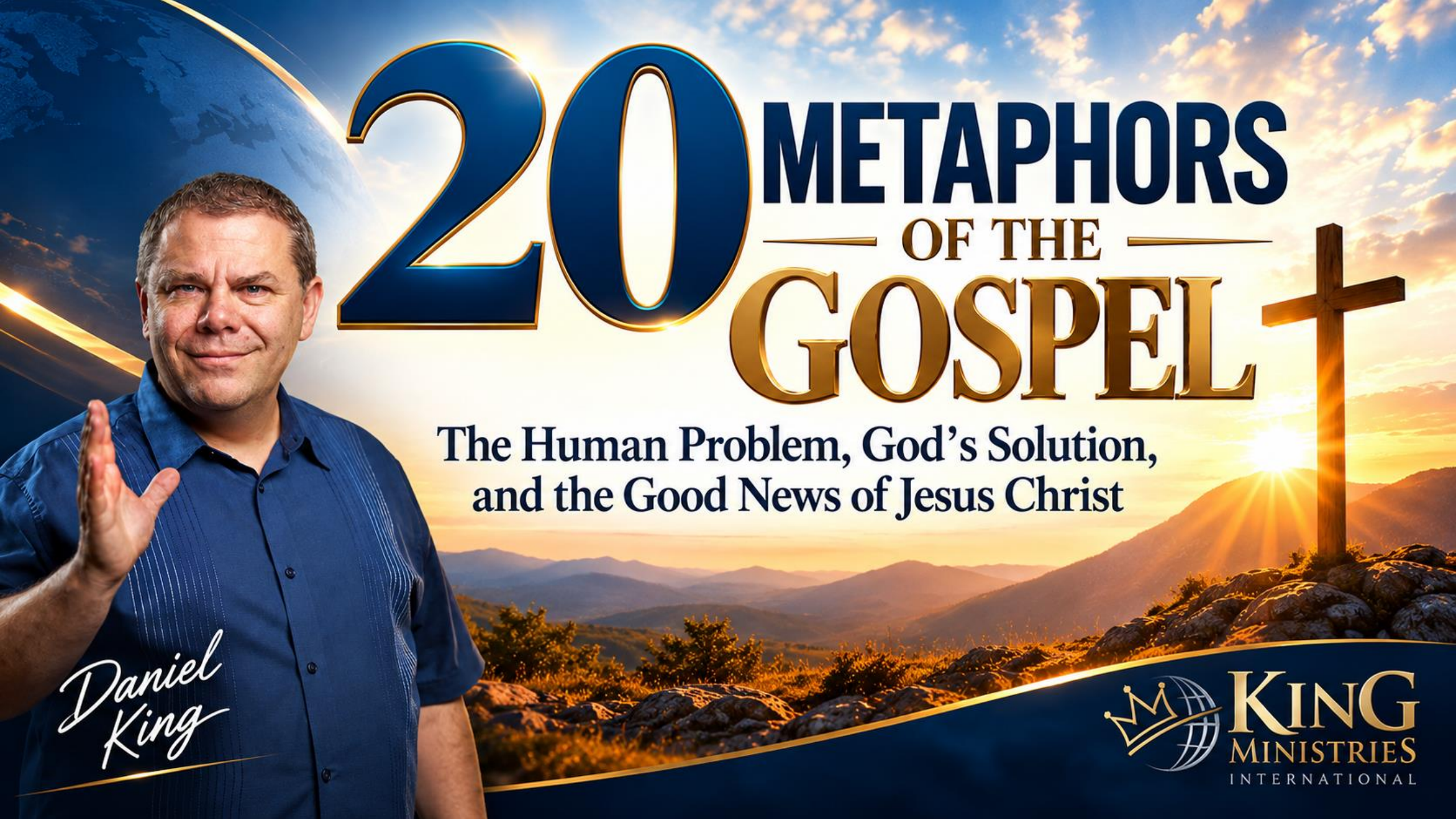




20 METAPHORS — OF THE — GOSPEL

The Human Problem, God's Solution,
and the Good News of Jesus Christ

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METAPHORS — OF THE GOSPEL —

A metaphor is a figure of speech that describes one thing by comparing it to something else. Metaphors help people understand unfamiliar or complicated ideas by connecting them to something they already know.

Metaphors are powerful tools for preaching the Gospel because they make spiritual truths easier to understand, remember, and apply.

By using familiar pictures from everyday life, an evangelist can communicate profound biblical truths in a simple and memorable way.

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1. LIFE vs. DEATH

THE PROBLEM

Spiritual Death

Romans 5:12

THE SOLUTION

Eternal Life

John 5:24

Sin brings spiritual death, but Jesus gives eternal life to everyone who believes in Him.



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2. MATURITY vs. IMMATURITY

THE PROBLEM

Spiritual Immaturity

Ephesians 4:14

THE SOLUTION

Maturity in Christ

Ephesians 4:13

Sin leaves us spiritually immature, but Jesus helps us grow into spiritual maturity and Christlikeness.



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3. HEALING vs. ILLNESS

THE PROBLEM

Spiritual Sickness

Mark 2:17

THE SOLUTION

Healing Through Christ

1 Peter 2:24

Sin is like a disease that damages our souls, but Jesus is the Great Physician who brings forgiveness and restoration.



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4. ADOPTION vs. ORPHANHOOD

THE PROBLEM

Separated from God's Family

Hosea 14:3

THE SOLUTION

Adopted as God's Children

Romans 8:15

Sin leaves us alienated from God, but through Jesus we are welcomed into God's family as beloved children.



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5. FRIENDSHIP vs. ENMITY

THE PROBLEM

Enemies of God

Romans 5:10

THE SOLUTION

Reconciled to God

2 Corinthians 5:18

Sin makes us enemies of God, but Jesus reconciles us to the Father and restores our friendship with Him.



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6. RESCUE vs. PERISHING

THE PROBLEM

Perishing in Sin

John 3:16

THE SOLUTION

Saved Through Christ

John 3:17

Humanity faces destruction because of sin, but Jesus came to rescue us and give us eternal life.



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7. FREEDOM vs. SLAVERY

THE PROBLEM

Slaves to Sin

John 8:34

THE SOLUTION

Freedom in Christ

John 8:36

Sin enslaves us, but Jesus breaks its power and sets us free to live for God.



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8. PAYMENT vs. DEBT

THE PROBLEM

The Debt of Sin

Romans 6:23

THE SOLUTION

Redeemed by Christ's Blood

1 Peter 1:18–19

Our sin creates a debt we cannot repay, but Jesus paid the price of our redemption through His sacrifice.



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9. FORGIVENESS vs. GUILT

THE PROBLEM

Guilty Before God

Romans 3:23

THE SOLUTION

Forgiven Through Christ

Ephesians 1:7

We have broken God's law and deserve judgment, but Jesus took our punishment so we can receive forgiveness.



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10. PEACE vs. WAR

THE PROBLEM

Hostility Toward God

Colossians 1:21

THE SOLUTION

Peace with God

Romans 5:1

Sin places us in opposition to God, but Jesus makes peace through His cross and restores our relationship with Him.



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11. CITIZENSHIP vs. ALIENATION

THE PROBLEM

Strangers and Foreigners

Ephesians 2:12

THE SOLUTION

Citizens of Heaven

Philippians 3:20

Sin leaves us alienated from God's kingdom, but Jesus welcomes us into His kingdom as citizens of heaven.



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12. SIGHT vs. BLINDNESS

THE PROBLEM

Spiritual Blindness

2 Corinthians 4:4

THE SOLUTION

Sight Through Christ

Luke 4:18

Sin blinds us to spiritual truth, but Jesus opens our eyes so we can see and understand God's salvation.



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13. KNOWLEDGE vs. IGNORANCE

THE PROBLEM

Ignorance of God

Hosea 4:6

THE SOLUTION

Knowledge of Salvation

Luke 1:77

Sin leaves us ignorant of God's truth, but Jesus reveals the Father and gives us the knowledge of salvation.



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14. TRUTH vs. ERROR

THE PROBLEM

Deceived by Falsehood

2 Peter 2:1

THE SOLUTION

Freedom Through Truth

John 8:32

Sin leads us into deception and error, but Jesus reveals the truth that sets us free.



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15. FOUND vs. LOST

THE PROBLEM

Lost Like Sheep

Isaiah 53:6

THE SOLUTION

Found by the Savior

Luke 19:10

Sin causes us to wander away from God, but Jesus is the Good Shepherd who searches for and saves the lost.



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16. WALKING vs. STUMBLING

THE PROBLEM

Stumbling in Sin

Isaiah 8:14

THE SOLUTION

The Path of Life

Acts 2:28

Sin causes us to stumble and lose our way, but Jesus guides us onto the path of righteousness and life.



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17. LIGHT vs. DARKNESS

THE PROBLEM

Living in Darkness

John 3:19

THE SOLUTION

Walking in the Light

John 8:12

Sin traps us in spiritual darkness, but Jesus is the Light of the World who leads us into truth and life.



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18. PURITY vs. IMPURITY

THE PROBLEM

Defiled by Sin

Mark 7:20–23

THE SOLUTION

Cleansed by Christ

1 John 1:7

Sin makes us spiritually unclean, but the blood of Jesus cleanses us and makes us acceptable to God.



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19. FRUITFULNESS vs. UNFRUITFULNESS

THE PROBLEM

Separated from the Vine

John 15:6

THE SOLUTION

Fruitful in Christ

John 15:5

Apart from Jesus we are spiritually barren, but when we remain connected to Him, our lives produce lasting fruit.



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20. NEW CREATION vs. OLD CREATION

THE PROBLEM

Corrupted by Sin

Romans 5:12

THE SOLUTION

A New Creation in Christ

2 Corinthians 5:17

Sin corrupted humanity and creation, but Jesus gives us new spiritual life and promises to make all things new.



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20 TRUTHS OF THE GOSPEL



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- 1 We were dead → Jesus gives us **life**.
- 2 We were immature → Jesus helps us **grow**.
- 3 We were sick → Jesus **heals us**.
- 4 We were orphans → Jesus brings us into God's **family**.
- 5 We were enemies → Jesus makes us **friends**.
- 6 We were perishing → Jesus **rescues us**.
- 7 We were slaves → Jesus **sets us free**.
- 8 We were in debt → Jesus **pays the price**.
- 9 We were guilty → Jesus **forgives us**.
- 10 We were at war → Jesus brings **peace**.

- 11 We were foreigners → Jesus makes us **citizens**.
- 12 We were blind → Jesus **opens our eyes**.
- 13 We were ignorant → Jesus gives us **knowledge**.
- 14 We were deceived → Jesus reveals **the truth**.
- 15 We were lost → Jesus **finds us**.
- 16 We were stumbling → Jesus **shows us the way**.
- 17 We were in darkness → Jesus brings us into **the light**.
- 18 We were unclean → Jesus **makes us pure**.
- 19 We were unfruitful → Jesus **makes us fruitful**.
- 20 We were part of the old creation → Jesus **makes us new**.



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