

# An outline of the Gospel

## LOVE



## GOD IS LOVE

God loves you infinitely and eternally

So he beckons you to come to him:

- To talk to him in prayer
- To express your love to him
- To learn to trust him
- To seek to please him

God wants you to share eternity with him.

## LIGHT



## GOD IS LIGHT

However God is absolutely pure, perfect and holy

As pure light he cannot tolerate the darkness of human sin:

- Wrong thoughts
- Wrong words
- Wrong deeds

So we are unfit to come to him.

This is a dilemma

## CROSS



Just imagine being convicted in court and the judge paying your fine! God, the perfect Judge, paid more than a fine. He endured your eternal death penalty.

## THE JUDGE PAYS THE PENALTY

God, the perfect Judge, solved this dilemma.

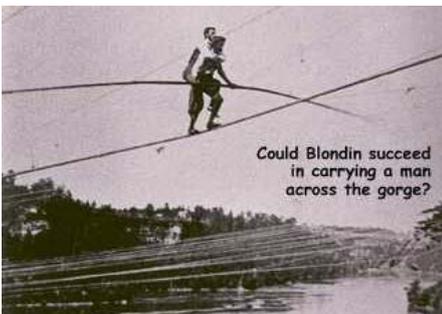
He became a man – Jesus who was both God and man.

So that he himself could suffer God-forsakenness for our Sins, so that we need not experience that.

In this way both God's love and justice have been satisfied.

He can now welcome those who trust in him in this life into his presence in the next life.

## FAITH



Blondin, the famous tight rope walker, carrying a man 160' above the Niagara Gorge. The man being carried showed real faith commitment!

## THE CROSS CALLS FOR FAITH COMMITMENT

Such love and such sacrifice calls for wholehearted response:

- Not just an intellectual faith
- Not just believing God can help us
- But a total, life-changing commitment of love and trust.

It involves:

- Apologising to God and turning away from wrong thoughts, words and deeds (accepting they caused Jesus' death).
- Handing your life over to him.
- Inviting him to put his life and power within you. (Remember that Jesus rose from the dead, overcoming death itself).