## Story of the Whole Gospel

## Purpose

Share, teach, and practice telling a short summary of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

This summary of the gospel comes from Matthew Bates' book, The Gospel Precisely

## **Gospel Summary**

- 1 sentence: The gospel is the true story about how Jesus became our victorious, saving King.
- More comprehensive:

The gospel is that Jesus:

- o preexisted as God the Son,
- was sent by the Father,
- $\circ$   $\,$  took on human flesh in fulfillment of God's promises to David, 2SA 7:12-16  $\,$
- $\circ$  died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, 1CO15:3-5
- o was buried,
- o was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,
- o appeared to many witnesses,
- $\circ~$  is enthroned at the right hand of God as the ruling Christ,
- has sent the Holy Spirit to his people to effect his rule,
- $\circ \quad$  and will come again as final judge to rule.
- The gospel is the true story about how Jesus became our victorious, saving King

## Outline (for teaching and practicing)

- A. 2 arms UP (Past in Heaven: Pre-existed, Sent)
- B. 2 arms DOWN (Past on Earth: Human flesh, Died for sins, Buried, Raised, Witnesses)
  - 1) Arms CROSSED over chest (Took on human flesh)
  - 2) Arms SPREAD (died for our sins)
  - 3) Hands LOWERED (buried)
  - 4) Hands RAISED (raised on 3<sup>rd</sup> day)
  - 5) Hands OUTWARD (appeared to witnesses)

C. 1 arm UP, then 1 arm DOWN (*Now*: up—Christ reigns in Heaven, down—sends Holy Spirit)

D. Point FORWARD (*Future*: Coming back as Final Judge to Rule)

E. Summary (The gospel is the true story about how Jesus became our victorious, saving King.)