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*2 Cor. 7:11 See what this godly sorrow has produced in you: what earnestness, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what concern, what readiness to see justice done.”*

## The Gospel of A.

*Mark 1:15 “The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!”*

*Romans 3:23 Everyone has sinned and fallen short of God’s glorious ideal.*

*Titus 3:5 He saved us not by righteous things we had done but by his mercy. He saved us by the washing of rebirth and renewing by the Holy Spirit.*

What does it mean to follow the gospel as a Christian? What is God up to?

*Zephaniah 3:17 “The Lord your God is in your midst. He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with loud singing.”*

Verse for Life Groups: Zephaniah 3:17

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## Building Wisdom

### The Gospel of Astonishment

Reversing Self-Defeating Strategies—part 5

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#### 3 Root Problems:

- Folly, Madness, and “Evil”

#### 5 Self-Defeating Strategies

- 1. Easy Way      2. Reactive Way      3. Fun Way
- 4. Glory Way.      5. Predatory Way

#### Our Outer Sin Nature

- Missing the.

“Sin”- Hamartia

*Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.*

- Crossing over boundaries

“Transgression” - parabaino

*John 15:3 “Why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition?”*

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