

SERMON OUTLINE/NOTES

"Ashamed of the Gospel? – Part 2"

Romans 1:16-17

Introduction

- **Review of Part One of "Ashamed of the Gospel?"**

I. The Gospel of Christ

- Grounded in Two Historical Events (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)
 - Christ's Death on the Cross for our Sins (vs. 3-4a)
 - Christ's Resurrection from the Dead (v. 4b, 6; John 24:39)
- What was Accomplished by Christ's Death and Resurrection
 - Paid in Full the Penalty of Sin; Obtained Forgiveness of Sin; Redeemed a People to Himself
 - His Resurrection Proved Christ's Death fully Satisfied God's justice

II. Three Reasons to NOT be Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ (Romans 1:16-17)

- A. It is the Power of God to Salvation (verse 16)
 - In Bringing Sinners to Repentance of Their Sins and Faith in Jesus Christ; The Holy Spirit Gives the Sinner Understanding; Draws him to Christ
 - The Natural Man – The Person not Regenerated by the Holy Spirit – The Gospel is Foolishness
- B. **The Gospel Reveals the Righteousness of God (v. 17a)**
 - **What does it mean to be righteous? (Deuteronomy 5:32-33; Leviticus 18:5)**
 - **It is Impossible for sinful Man to be Righteous (Matthew 5:21-22, 27-28; James 2:10; Romans 3:10-18 quotes from Psalm 14:1-3; 53:1-3; 5:9; 140:3; 10:7; 36:1; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Proverbs 1:16); Deuteronomy 27:26; Romans 3:19)**
 - **Jesus Christ is the Sinners Righteousness before God (1 Corinthians 1:30; 2 Corinthians 5:21)**
- C. **The Gospel is a Gospel of Faith (v. 17b)**
 - **The Sinner is Righteous (Justified) by Faith Alone in Jesus Christ (Galatians 2:16; 3:14; Romans 3:21ff; 10:4; Heidelberg Catechism #60)**

Conclusion/Application

- **The believer in Christ in has Nothing to be Ashamed of in the Proclamation of the Gospel**