

INSIDEout Series: How the Gospel Confronts Us
Week 1 outline
1.31.21
Romans 1:1-17

The Power of God for Salvation

I. Paul and the Gospel of God (vs 1-6)

A. Paul

- 1. A servant** of Christ Jesus (an admittance of his total humility)
- 2. An apostle** and set apart for the Gospel of God (a statement of his rightful authority)
 - Apostle: an eye witness of the resurrected Jesus who is sent by Jesus, to preach in His authority

B. Good News for a Lost World ...A 6 point overview of the Gospel:

- 1. The Origin of the Gospel is God** (vs 1)
 - the Gospel is God's very own "good news" for a lost world
- 2. The Promise of the Gospel is Scripture** (vs 2)
 - John 5:39-40
 - the OT points forward to Christ, the NT point back to Christ
- 3. The Substance of the Gospel is Jesus Christ** (vs 4)
 - the Gospel of God is the good news ABOUT JESUS
- 4. The Scope of the Gospel is All Nations** (vs 5)
 - to call all people from among all nations to obedience that comes from faith
- 5. The Purpose of the Gospel is Obedience of Faith** (vs 5b)
 - obedience of faith is the response in which the Gospel demands
- 6. The Goal of the Gospel is the Honor of Christ's Name** (vs 6)
 - we live for the honor of His name's sake

"IT'S THE GOSPEL OF GOD, ABOUT CHRIST, ACCORDING TO SCRIPTURE,
FOR THE NATIONS, UNTO THE OBEDIENCE OF FAITH, FOR THE SAKE OF HIS NAME"
-J. Stott

II. Hello Rome (vs 7-11)

- A. I thank God for you (vs 8)
- B. I pray for you (vs 10)
- C. I long to see you (vs 11)
- D. I hope to visit you (vs 11)
 - to build them up, and to be mutually encouraged

ROMANS IS A MANIFESTO ON RIGHTEOUSNESS:
A RIGHTEOUSNESS BY GRACE ALONE, IN CHRIST ALONE, & THROUGH FAITH ALONE

III. The Gospel Confronts Us

A. Obligated, Eager, and Unashamed of the Gospel

vs 14- *"I am obligated"*

vs 15- *"I am eager"*

vs 16- *"I am unashamed"*

am I under the same conviction to share the gospel?

-or is it more of an "option" rather than an "obligation"?

-am I "eager" or more so "reluctant"?

-am I ever tempted to be ashamed of the Gospel at times?

B. The Gospel is The Power of God

-that brings salvation to everyone who believes

C. The Gospel Reveals The Righteousness of God (vs 17)

the Gospel reveals God's righteousness

1. *"by faith from first to last"*

-literally "out of faith, and into faith" or "from faith, to faith"

a. the origin of faith is God

from God's faith, who makes the offer,

to man's faith, who receives it

b. The speed of faith is necessary

from one believer

to another believer

c. The growth of faith is desired

from one degree of faith

to another

d. The centrality of faith is essential

by faith, through faith alone

2. Righteousness (our right standing with God)

-is required for us to stand before him

-is achieved through the atoning sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross

-is revealed to us in the Gospel

-is gifted freely to all who trust in Jesus Christ

THE GOSPEL CHANGES US, IT CALLS US, AND IT COMMISSIONS US;

... BUT FIRST IT MUST CONFRONT US