"Not Ashamed of the Gospel" Romans 1:16-17

- I. The gospel of Jesus Christ ought to produce zeal to get its message out (1:15, 16).
 - Why should we be eager to spread the gospel?
 - Has the gospel soaked down deep in your heart?
- II. The gospel of Jesus Christ should create courage not cowardice (1:16).
 - Why is the world contemptuous of the gospel?
 - If I am ashamed of the gospel, what is my fear?
- III. The gospel of Jesus Christ is good news (1:16).
 - Am I really convinced that there is some bad news?
 - Am I treating the gospel as good news?
- IV. The gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God (1:16).

- In what way is the gospel effective?
- How can we overcome the temptation to be ashamed of the gospel?
- V. The gospel of Jesus Christ is for deliverance from the power of sin and death (1:16).
 - What other "powers" promise what they can never produce?
 - Do you know where you have come from, what you are doing, and where you are going?
- VI. The gospel of Jesus Christ is only power and salvation for those who accept it ("believes") (1:16).
 - In what sense is the gospel a priority for the Jews?
- VII. The gospel of Jesus Christ is the righteousness of God revealed (1:17).
 - What is the righteousness of God?
- VIII. The righteousness of Jesus Christ in the gospel is accepted by faith alone (1:17).
 - How do sinful people become righteous?
 - Do you think of yourself as worthy of a relationship with God?