

## ROMANS | THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

### Romans 1:14-17 “The Power of God for Salvation”

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**Main Point:** The power of God for salvation ignites in us an eagerness to spread the gospel unashamedly to all people.

Three questions that will challenge us to be men and women who are eagerly unashamed to spread the gospel:

#### 1) Are we eager? (vv. 14-15)

- a. Paul was obligated

Acts 26:16-18 But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.

- b. Paul was eager

What hinders eagerness?

- i. A misunderstanding of the gospel
- ii. Not believing in the reality of hell
- iii. Being ashamed of the message

#### 2) Are we unashamed? (v. 16)

- a. This message is foolish

1 Cor. 1:18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

- b. This message is the power of God
- c. This message is for everyone

#### 3) Are we living by faith? (v. 17)

a. The gospel reveals God's righteousness

b. Through faith we receive righteousness

Genesis 15:6 And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

c. Through faith we continue to live

Habakkuk 2:4 ...but the righteous shall live by his faith.