

# The Gospel From every Angle

## Gospel as Power

### Romans 1:16-17

# TALK IT OVER

#### Passages

*"16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith" – Romans 1:16-17 (ESV)*

#### **Start Talking: Find an announcement or mission for your group. (15 Min)**

- When is our next outreach party? See page 4 for ideas
- When is our next mission we would like to participate in?
- As you reflect on last weekend's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?

#### **Head: Start Thinking about the Text. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)**

- What do you think the context is around Romans 1:16-17? Look in your bible at the verses before and after, look at the study notes at the bottom of the page if you have some. Why is this verse important?
- What sort of power is Paul referring to in this passage? How does that compare with what we think of power?
- How does faith disarm fear?

#### **Heart: Start Sharing how the Text is shaping our beliefs. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)**

- When has the power of your faith in Jesus allowed you to do or say something that might have been scary or difficult?
- What are some things that might cause us to be ashamed of the Gospel? To where might we turn when facing these things?

#### **Hands: Start living the Text. Commit to believing or obeying the text this week. (10 Min)**

- What can you do to practice faith over fear this week?
- Jesus desires that we are doers of the word, and not hearers only. Please create an "I will" or "I believe" statement that describes how you will take action based on today's biblical teaching.

#### **Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)**

- For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

#### **Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. Pick a question. (15 Min)**

1. Who is one non-believer or someone without a church home that you need to reach out to this week?
2. What kind of conversations are you having with people you are reaching out to?
3. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
4. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
6. Pray for one another.

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