



Extending the Weekend: May 5, 2024
I Am Not Ashamed— “Can I Tell You a Secret”

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. **Romans 1:16 NKJV***

Read: Colossians 1:24-29

You can't FIND what you are looking for until you become willing to LOSE YOURSELF.

1. The Gospel is “Christ IN you...”

1) The Gospel is INVASIVE.

Invasive- Tending to spread especially in a quick or aggressive manner: growing and dispersing easily, usually to the detriment of native species and ecosystems.

a. The Gospel never STAYS in the place it STARTS...it SPREADS!

There is no version of the Gospel where only “parts” of IT get in “parts” of YOU!

b. The Gospel refuses to “cohabit” with anything else.

Our misery is found in the fact that we try desperately to HOLD ON to what the Gospel is trying to get us to LET GO of!

2) The Gospel is PERVASIVE.

Pervasive- Spread throughout so thoroughly as to be seen or felt everywhere.

3) The Gospel is INTRUSIVE.

Intrusive- A tactless or otherwise objectionable thrusting into others' affairs; a violation of a person's space or privacy.

Read: Hebrews 4:13, Jeremiah 23:24, Proverbs 15:3, Jeremiah 16:17



2. The Gospel is “Christ IN you, the hope of glory.”

1) The “hope of glory” is the fulfillment of God’s promise to restore us and all creation.

Read: Romans 8:19-21, 1 John 3:2

2) The “hope of glory” includes our RESURRECTION.

Read: Romans 8:11, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

A. The Spirit of Christ within us is the “deposit that guarantee’s our inheritance.”

Read: Ephesians 1:13-14

B. This was a “secret” that was hidden from the ENEMY.

Read: 1 Corinthians 2:6-8

C. This was a “secret” that was hidden from the ANGELS.

Read: 1 Peter 1:10-12

3. When you LIVE the SECRET...you can’t HIDE it!

Reflection for the week

Personal/Family:

Transformation: *How does this change/impact my week?*

Missional Team:

Transformation: *How does this challenge/change the way we serve?*