

“The Message that Shapes Eternity”
Amazed by Grace • part 4

INTRODUCTION

- the Great Sh'ma & the Great Commission
- are we ashamed of God's gospel?

*1. The necessary mindset of the believer:
not ashamed of God's gospel(1:16a)*

- the “foolishness” of God's gospel to the worldly “wise”
1 Cor. 1:27-29; Mk. 8:34-38; 2 Tim. 1:8, 12
- if God's gospel is inoffensive it is ineffective

*2. Why not ashamed of God's gospel:
God's power for salvation(1:16b)*

“The gospel is the omnipotence of God operative unto salvation.”
— John Murray

- to all believing ones
Jn. 6:35-37
- “to the Jew first”

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*3. How God's gospel brings salvation:
God's righteousness is revealed(1:17)*

- “the righteousness of God”
 - + as a subjective genitive (a righteousness *about* God)
 - ✓ a divine attribute
 - ✓ a divine activity
 - + as an objective genitive (a righteousness *from* God)
 - ✓ a divine achievement
- Rom. 2:13; 3:9-10, 23
Phil. 3:9

“The righteousness of God, therefore, which the gospel reveals, and by which we are constituted righteous, is the perfect righteousness of Christ which completely meets and answers all the demands of that law to which all men are subject, and which all have broken.”
— Charles Hodge

- “from faith to faith”
 - + the *origin* of faith?
 - + the *spread* of faith?
 - + the *growth* of faith?
 - + the *primacy* of faith?
- quotation from Hab. 2:4
 - + ‘the righteous will live by (because of) his faith’
 - ✓ *righteousness* is by faith
 - + ‘the righteous will live by (according to) his faith’
 - ✓ *life* is by faith

CONCLUSION

“There are two things to do about the gospel—believe it and behave it.”
— Susanna Wesley