



PURSUE: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word
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Romans Lesson 1 Lecture Notes
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Eager and Unashamed

“I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. So for my part, I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome. 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.” Romans 1:14-16

1. Bound to the gospel

- a. Paul was a _____. He was indebted to proclaim the grace he had received.*
- b. He had a divine obligation. 1 Corinthians 9:16*
- c. Volume 1 “My former way of life” Galatians 1:13*
- d. Volume 2 “But when God” Galatians 1:15*
- e. There are 5 gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and _____. The 5th gospel is the life of the Christian believer.*

“You are writing a gospel,

A chapter each day,

By deeds that you do,

By words that you say.

Men read what you write,

Whether faithless or true,

Say! What is the gospel according to you?”

- Paul Gilbert

2. Eager to preach the gospel

John MacArthur points out that Paul had been:

- a. _____ in Philippi Acts 16:23,24*
- b. _____ of Thessalonica Acts 17:10*
- c. _____ out of Berea Acts 17:14*

d. _____ at in Athens Acts 17:32

e. Regarded as a _____ in Corinth 1 Corinthians 1:18,23

f. _____ in Galatia Acts 14:19

g. Yet he remained _____ to preach the gospel Romans 1:15, Read
2 Corinthians 12:9,10

3. Unashamed of the gospel

a. Read 2 Timothy 1:8-14

“The gospel creates shaming behavior in those who oppose its message. You will be shamed for the gospel, but you don’t have to be ashamed of the gospel.” John Piper

b. The gospel will always cause _____, because it reveals us as having a need that we _____ meet.

c. Acts 4:31 says to speak the word of God with boldness. Alistair Begg says speak the word of God with boldness not _____.

Brashness is the quality of being overly confident, aggressive, and bold in a way that lacks respect, caution, or tact.

Letter from an African Martyr