

Jesus transforms lives #1

# Gospel message

## Romans 1:16-17

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I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. 17 For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

**Romans 1:16, 17**

### 1. Ashamed of the gospel ???

message of the cross: a stumbling block to Jews

foolishness to the rest of us

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**1 Corinthians 1:22, 23**

### 2. the gospel is God's power

to save

everyone who believes

### **3. In the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed**

the holy and just God acts to save us  
and displays his righteousness

### **4. Ashamed of the gospel?? NO**

#### **Confidence in Jesus and the gospel that saves**

Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom,<sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,<sup>24</sup> but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.<sup>25</sup> For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

**1 Corinthians 1:22-25**

Jesus saves people

We live out gospel values - grace, love, forgiveness,  
compassion, generosity, serving others

We share the message of Jesus

We **BOAST** about Jesus **NOT** ourselves

We **TRUST** Jesus **NOT** ourselves

Our weaknesses display God's strength

### **5. The gospel is the power of God to save all who believe**