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**“For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ ...”**

Please, **Read Mark 8:34-38**

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(on your own, please, also compare this with Matthew 10:27-39)

**The Gospel of Jesus Christ**, can be translated at **“The Good Report About Jesus Christ” ... the Good Message About Jesus Christ.**

Thus, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Good News is **about who Jesus Christ is and What He did for us, etc.** Are you ashamed of Him AND His Word (the Bible) or ... are you Bold about Proclaiming Him to others? Are we holding Back or ...?

**“For it is the POWER of God unto Salvation to everyone who believes...”**

The **transforming, life changing Power** ... → 2 Cor. 5:17

I was lost, but now I am found, I was dead, but now I am alive (Eph. 2:4-5)

This is the **Only MIRACLE** that Lasts and is the **reason** Christ came.

To the Jew **First** and **then** to the Gentile (to the Greek)

Why did the Gospel go to the Jews (Israel) first, before it went to the Gentiles? (hint Acts 4:17-26 & Romans 3:2)

**“God’s Righteousness is Revealed From Faith to Faith ...”**

Jesus Christ: The Gospel of Jesus Christ reveals God’s Righteousness (see the **Cheat Sheet** regarding **“Righteousness”**)

It is all about God’s Righteousness, not getting goodies from God

→ Read **Proverbs 11:4** (compare with Romans 2:5)

**God’s WRATH is Revealed – WHY?** (Romans 1:18 and onward)

(see the **Cheat Sheet** regarding **“God’s Wrath”**)

Why does Paul start his long explanation about the Gospel of Jesus Christ with God’s Wrath? [chapters 1 thru 8 is in-depth teaching on the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Seminary / College level Theology course]

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