

# SERMON NOTES

September 19, 2021

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Chad Cobb

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##### Icebreaker:

1. When you write a letter, are you more likely to write until you run out of paper, or keep it short and to the point?
2. What is one place that you have never seen that you want to visit?

##### Passage:

Romans 1:1-17

##### Context:

In this passage, Paul includes his opening salutation (1-7), thanksgiving (8-15), and his statement of the overall theme of Romans (16-17).

##### Discussion Questions

3. What stood out to you most from this message? Were there any questions that you had after listening to Chad's message?
4. How did we define "the Gospel of God" this week? How has that differed from your definition previously?
5. What truths about Jesus does Paul proclaim in this passage?
6. Where can you see the "obedience that comes from faith" in your own life?
7. Chad shared 3 "I am statements" that Paul expresses, talk through them.
8. What's the "good news" of the gospel that made Paul eager to share it?
9. Paul says, "I am not ashamed of the gospel..." Where are you with this statement? In what situations do you find yourself being ashamed?
10. Re-read v17. There are several important theological phrases in this verse. Talk through each of them together.
11. Think about a sin you struggle with. How are you rejecting the gospel when you sin in that way? How will believing the gospel transform the next struggle you face?

##### Next Step:

12. Let the gospel grow **deeper** in you. What are you doing this week to take a step in letting the gospel go deeper in you?
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