

Confirmation

Unashamed

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¹ Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures³ regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David,⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake.⁶ And you also are among those Gentiles **who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.**⁷ To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. **Romans 1:1-7, NIV**

Paul was unashamed to _____ to Jesus Christ and to _____ others the gospel (_____) about him.

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world.⁹ God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness **how constantly I remember you¹⁰ in my prayers at all times;** and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.¹¹ **I long to see you** so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong—¹² that is, that you and I **may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith.** **Romans 1:8-12, NIV**

Paul was unashamed to belong to _____ and _____ who shared the _____ in that gospel.

¹⁸ The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, **who suppress the truth by their wickedness.**²⁹ They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are

full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips,³⁰ slanderers, God-haters, insolent, **arrogant and boastful;** they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents;³¹ they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy.

Romans 1:18,29-31, NIV

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—**of whom I am the worst.** **1 Timothy 1:15, NIV**

Paul was _____ to admit he deserves God's _____ and feelings of _____ because of his _____.

¹⁴ I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish.¹⁵ That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.¹⁶ **For I am not ashamed of the gospel,** because it is the **power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes:** first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of 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 1:14-17, NIV

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. **And we boast** in the hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2, NIV

The message of salvation through Jesus is _____, _____ and _____. _____ it! _____ about it!

MEMORY VERSE

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes.

Romans 1:16, NIV

Bottom Line: The gospel message of salvation through Jesus is the most important message I'll ever hear. I'll believe it and boast about it!

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