

PBF CONNECT GROUP STUDY GUIDE

For the week of Mar 18-24

Romans 1:16-17: Power and Righteousness in the Gospel

Synopsis: Paul does not shrink from preaching the gospel as it is God's power to save all who believe. The gospel reveals the righteousness that is from God and that God requires – a righteousness that he credits to those who believe in him.

Into the Bible

1. Why would Paul say he is not ashamed of the gospel? What might have tempted him to be ashamed of it?
2. What are some of the greatest displays of God's power in the Bible?
3. What do you think Paul means when he says, "the gospel is the power of God for salvation"?
4. How is the righteousness of God revealed in the gospel? (Hint: see e.g. Rom. 3:21-26)

5. Look at Habakkuk 2:2-4 and the surrounding context. What do you understand the Lord to be saying in that Old Testament context?

6. How do you understand Paul's quotation from Habakkuk 2:4 that "the righteous shall live by faith"?

Application

7. What are some ways you have been tempted to be ashamed of the gospel? What are some situations where you have resisted that temptation?
8. Who are some people you can spend time praying for who need to hear and believe the gospel?

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