

**Home Group Helps**  
**Romans 1:14-18**  
***The Gospel and the Reformation***

**Paul's Eagerness for the Gospel (v.14-15)** – I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. So I am eager to preach the Gospel to you also who are in Rome.

**I. Not Ashamed (v.16a)** – For I am not ashamed of the Gospel,

**II. Power of God (v.16b)** – for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

**III. Righteousness Revealed (v.17)** – For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

**IV. Wrath Revealed (v.18)** – For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

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**1. Launching Question(s):**

- Why was the Reformation such a pivotal time in Church history?
- What is your favorite story from the Reformation?

**2. Observation Question(s):**

- Knowing what you do about the Apostle Paul, why was he so “eager” to preach the Gospel to Christians?

**3. Interpretation Question(s):**

- What does it mean that Paul was “not ashamed” of the Gospel? How did the reformers live this out as well?
- Read 1 Kings 19:9-18. How does this text teach us about the power of salvation in God's Word?
- Why does Paul end verse 17 with the phrase, “The righteous shall live by faith”?

**4. Reflection Question(s):**

- How does this text, along with the story of the Reformation, encourage you?

**5. Application Question(s):**

- What would it look like for our whole church to be more “eager” for the Gospel?
- How does the righteousness revealed in the life of Jesus give you hope this week?