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# NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL

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"For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake. 6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost. 7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. 8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing. 9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; 10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come." (1 Thessalonians 1:5-10)

# INTRODUCTION

# 1. A GOSPEL \_\_\_\_\_

### A. Power in the

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12)

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. 24 For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: 25 But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you." (1 Peter 1:23–25)

#### B. Power from the

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you." (John 16:13–14)

"And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the spirit and of power:" (1 Corinthians 2:4)

## 2. A GOSPEL \_\_\_\_\_

# A. The Pattern of \_\_\_\_\_

#### A KNOWN PATTERN

#### A WORKABLE PATTERN

**Quote:** "God has given all of us the gift of influence. What we do with it is our gift to him."

"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." (1 Corinthians 11:1)

"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." (1 Timothy 4:16)

#### B. The Pattern of the

#### THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS

"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:" (1 Peter 2:21)

"Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. 4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin." (Hebrews 12:2-4)

"Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ." (Acts 17:3)

#### THE EXAMPLE OF THE EARLY BELIEVERS

**Quote:** "As believers, we must be prepared to continue sharing biblical truth regardless of what the culture around us says or

threatens. Teaching God's Word is not abusive or dangerous—the gospel is the power of God unto salvation. It is the gospel and the truth of God's Word, with the power of the Holy Spirit, that free us from our slavery to sin and makes us a new creation in Christ Jesus. The time is coming when speaking biblical truth regarding sexuality will be illegal, but we must love people enough to continue to contend for the faith."—**Ken Ham** 

**Quote:** "Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it."—**Helen Keller** 

A.	Lives
	"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things ar passed away; behold, all things are become new." (2 Corinthians 5:17
	THROUGH REPENTANCE
	"Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated untithe gospel of God," (Romans 1:1)
	BECAUSE OF REVELATION
	<ul> <li>Quote: "I go out to preach with two propositions in mind. First, every person ought to give his life to Christ. Second, whether or not anyone else gives Him his life, I will give Him mine."</li> <li>—Jonathan Edwards</li> </ul>
В.	Lives
	"And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." (Acts 5:42)
	"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." (John 4:35)

<sup>&</sup>quot;For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ," (1 Thessalonians 5:9)