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Paul wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation..." in Romans 1:16. He wasn't just saying "live out" the gospel. No, in context he was saying we are to communicate the actual message, a verbal declaration, to others. I don't fully understand it, but when you and I step out in faith and explain the gospel to someone the "power of God" shows up. The gospel = the power of God, according to this passage. Don't be ashamed. Don't be passive. Spend the rest of your life taking the initiative to share the gospel, asking people if they would be willing to believe and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. If you are faithful to do that, you will leave behind a wake of impact and influence beyond your imagination!

What is the gospel?

1 Corinthians 15:3, 4

Why is presenting the gospel important?

- 1. What instruction with regard to evangelism do you see in 1 Peter 3:15?
- 2. What does Romans 1:16 tell us about the gospel of Jesus Christ?
- 3. What does Romans 10:14 say about presenting the gospel?

Attitudes in presenting the gospel

There are two essential principles to remember about a verbal witness. What are they?

1. 1 Thessalonians 2:8

2. 1 Corinthians 2:4–5

Action steps

- 1. Role play a gospel illustration or tract
- 2. Share it with someone this week.
- 3. Read through the book of Luke this week and mark any place where Jesus was ministering to the lost or teaching his disciples about evangelism.

Suggested memory verse

Romans 1:16