NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL

2 Timothy 1:9-18

KEY VERSE

1:14 Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you – guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

1. THE GOSPEL SAVES US FROM DEATH TO LIFE, AND MAKES US HOLY

9 He has saved us and called us to a holy life – not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time. 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

13 What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you – guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

2. GUARDING THE GOSPEL MEANS PROCLAIMING IT UNASHAMEDLY, IN THE FACE OF SUFFERING

11 And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher.
12 That is why I am suffering as I am.

'Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

3. GOSPEL MINISTRY NEEDS GOSPEL SUPPORT

16 May the Lord show mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, because he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains. 17 On the contrary, when he was in Rome, he searched hard for me until he found me. 18 May the Lord grant that he will find mercy from the Lord on that day! You know very well in how many ways he helped me in Ephesus.