



THE ESSENTIALS [Resource Sheet]

One Mission: Romans 1:16*

Embarrassed or Emboldened?

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Message NOTES:

I. Take This as Gospel

II. The Passage: "I am Not Ashamed" (4:4)

1. Not Ashamed of What?

2. Reasons to be Embarrassed?

3. Reasons to be Emboldened!

III. Facing Our Own Feelings

* From our Four Essentials Memory Verses booklet. Hope you will join us as we memorize God's word together!

Growth Groups! [Questions to Get You Talking]

1. Talk together for a few minutes about what ideas stood out to you from Sunday's message, or what questions you might still have after hearing it.

2. Have someone read Acts 8:26-40. In what ways does Philip exemplify the same confidence and courage Paul spoke about in Romans 1:16? What does the writer tell us about this encounter that would have emboldened Philip? What do we learn about where Philip went next (v. 40)?

3. What are some 'roadblocks' you experience when thinking about or attempting to share your faith? What encourages you personally about Philip's example?

From Knowing to Showing

Choose one person you know for whom you could pray. In light of this lesson, this should be someone who has not responded in faith to the Good News (gospel). Commit to praying for them this week, and for how God might use you to point them to Jesus.

Pointers for Parents

Teach your children "The Gospel Song" and talk about what each line means:

*"Holy God in love became
Perfect man to bear my blame.
On the cross He took my sin.
By His death I live again."*

TUNE: http://www.sovereigngracemusic.org/Songs/The_Gospel_Song/16

REMINDERS

* Our **Growth Groups** are meeting this week, including our **Youth** Growth Group (grades 6-12), which meets again tonight at 6:00pm at the Way of Grace Ministry House.

* Our Church Family Lunch is coming up a week from today, on Sunday, October 2nd, after our morning Gathering. We hope you will plan to join us and bring a dish to share!

* We will be hosting an informational meeting on Partnership at Way of Grace on Sunday, October 23rd. We hope you will *save the date* and come learn more about commitment to the local church.

* God has given so generously to us, in both material and spiritual things. In response, let's give generously to God's work through this local church. Your **tithes and offerings** may be placed in the offering box in back.