

Raymond Road Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi
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NO SHAME

Romans 1:16-17

(Our church theme for 2024-2025)

- We live in a world that feels NO shame.
- But the world OUGHT to feel ashamed.
 - Romans 1:18–32,
 - “[They] do what ought not to be done.... They not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.”
 - Philippians 3:18–19,
 - “They glory in their shame.”
- Christians are different, because we walk the way of Christ. Should we feel ashamed?
 - Psalm 31:17,
 - “O Lord, let me not be put to shame, for I call upon you; let the wicked be put to shame.”
- Christ transforms the shame of our sin into boasting in the Lord!
 - Hebrews 12:1-2,
 - “Jesus... endured the cross, despising the shame.”
 - 1 Corinthians 1:26–31,
 - “But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.... Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”
- Paul traded in his SHAME for GRACE, and became a shameless ambassador for Christ.
 - Romans 1:1-5,
 - “... Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations.”
 - 2 Corinthians 5:17–21,
 - “Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”

- In Jesus, we, too, feel NO SHAME!
 - Romans 1:16-17,
 - “For I am **not ashamed** of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, ‘The righteous shall live by faith.’ ”
 - Mark 8:34–38, Jesus said,
 - “For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”