

HOW NOT TO BE ASHAMED OF SHARING YOUR FAITH *Passing on the Faith, Part 2*

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And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. 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...

May the Lord show mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, because he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains.
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 11-12, 16

Paul's Theme: Do Not Be _____

Anyone who is ashamed of me and my message in these days of unbelief and sin, I, the Messiah, will be ashamed of him when I return in the glory of my Father, with the holy angels.

Mark 8:38 TLB

Christ Jesus, our Savior, broke the power of death and illuminated the way to life and immortality through the Good News.

2 Timothy 1:10-11 NLT

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6-7

Power And Boldness Come From _____

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After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. "Follow me," Jesus said to him, and Levi got up, left everything and followed him.

Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them.

Luke 5:27-29

Three Critical Questions

1. Do I know anybody who needs Jesus?
2. If I take the risk of pointing someone towards Jesus, who can I always count on to be at work?
3. What's keeping me from pointing people towards Jesus?

**All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted*