

Romans 1:1-32

What can I do for revival in our world of reprobation?

## We can be separated unto the gospel.

- Paul was separated unto the gospel (Rom. 1:1).
  - At birth (Gal. 1:15-16).
  - At salvation (Acts 9:15-16).
  - At his vocational calling (Acts 13:2).
- Paul viewed the church members of Rome as separated unto the gospel (Rom. 1:6).

"ye are also the called" (v. 6) ↔ "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called" (v. 1)

## We can love our local church.

- Ebenezer Porter Andover, 1832
  - "Any system of means for the promotion of religion which will supersede or essentially impair the influence of a regular, local ministry, must ultimately be deleterious to the church" [Letters on Revival, 91].
- The leadership of Asahel Nettleton, the George Whitfield of the Second Great Awakening, gave its revivals endurance and stability.
- Paul loves Christ's churches (Rom. 1:7-15).
- A love for a local church necessarily includes a love for her pastor(s).

## We can determine to not be ashamed.

- Pastor James Coates, Gracelife Church, Edmonton, Alberta.
- Rom. 1:16-17
- Joshua and his armor bearer (1 Sam. 14:6-7).

"And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the Lord will work for us: for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few. And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart."