## United in the Gospel: Compelled Romans 1:1-17 6-14-20

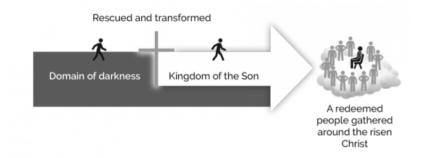
**I.** The Gospel Described. (Romans 1:1-12)

**The Gospel** is the good news of God rescuing and transforming those who by faith follow Jesus Christ.

Acts 8:3 – "But Saul began to destroy the church...he dragged off men and women and put them in prison."

Acts 26:9 – "...I too was convinced that I ought to do all I could to oppose the name of Jesus of Nazareth."

1 Timothy 1:12-13 – "...God appointed me to service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent (of the Gospel)...God's grace overflowed for me..."



**II.** The Gospel Debt. (Romans 1:13-15)

2 Corinthians 5:14, 18 – "...Christ's love compels us...and He gave us the ministry of reconciliation..."

**III.** The Gospel Declared. (Romans 1:16-17)

Hebrews 12:2 – "...who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame..."

Hebrews 2:11 – "...He is not ashamed to call us brothers..."

## Faith Sheet

**Monthly and Weekly Transformation Verse**: Romans 1:16 - "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes..." **Weekly Reading Plan**: Romans 1:1-17; Psalm 37; 1 Corinthians 9

## **Going Deeper This Week**

- 1. In reading Romans chapter one, what stood out to you?
- 2. How would you describe being a "servant of Christ"? Define the Gospel?
- 3. Who do you want to disciple or walk with over the summer?
- 4. We are called to be "saints", set apart ones. What is the most important way we are set apart from the world? (1 John 2:6)
- 5. We are to have a mutually encouraging faith for each other (Romans 1:12). How can we have this in the summer of 2020?
- 6. Read the following references to various explanations of the gospel: Matthew 4:23; 26:13; Mark 1:1; 10:29; Luke 4:18; John 14:6-7, Acts 20:24 and 1 Corinthians 15:3-8. Pray the Gospel to yourself or over each other.