

"GOSPEL BENEFITS"

II TIMOTHY 1:8-10

I. REGARDLESS OF HOW NEGATIVE THINGS MAY BECOME AGAINST THE WORD OF GOD OR THE WORK OF GOD, BELIEVERS SHOULD NEVER BE ASHAMED OF THOSE WHO ARE FAITHFULLY COMMUNICATING GOD'S WORD AND PAYING A PRICE TO DO IT

- A. A Multifaceted Admonition With Respect To Being Ashamed (1:8)
 - 1. Do Not Be Ashamed Of The Testimony Of The Lord (1:8a)
 - 2. Do Not Be Ashamed Of Those Who Suffer For The Lord (1:8b)
 - 3. Do Be A Partaker Of The Suffering That Inevitably Falls To Those Associated With The Gospel (1:8c)
 - 4. Do Remember That You, As A Christian, Are The One In Possession Of The Power Of God (1:8d)
- B. It Must Have Broken Timothy's heart To Have To Hear This

II. THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL REASONS AS TO WHY ONE SHOULD NOT BE ASHAMED (1:9-10)

- A. We Have The Benefit Of A Supernatural Salvation (1:9a)
- B. We Have The Benefit Of An Holy Calling (1:9b)
 - 1. Not Because God Had Previously Seen Anything Great In Us
 - 2. It Was In Keeping With His Own Purpose And Accomplished Solely By His Grace
 - 3. This Calling Was In The Plan Of God, Even Prior To The Existence Of The World
- C. We Have The Historical Testimony Of The First Advent Of Christ On The Earth (1:10)