

Not Ashamed

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Romans 1

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."

KNOW = LOVE

**The
TRUTH**

John 8:32

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2 Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Romans 1

24 Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts.... to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another.

25 They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.

Romans 1

26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature.

27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due.

SHAME

2617. kataischuno

Strong's Greek describes the experience or infliction of shame, disgrace, or humiliation

Verb form

- 1. objective shame – being proved wrong, exposed, or disappointed**
- 2. Subjective shame – feeling of dishonor before God or people.**

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Definition: to curse vehemently

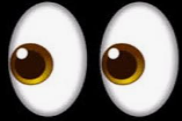
Usage: I shame, disgrace,
bring to shame,
put to utter confusion, frustrate.

* Webster - embarrassed or guilty because
of one's actions, characteristics, or
associations

Different reasons for feeling Shame

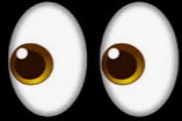
**Shame from not be accepted
(approved) by God for doing the
wrong thing.**

**Shame that comes from the world for
doing the right thing**

Shamed by the world for doing what is right
(in  of God)

Hebrews 12:2

*let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which
so easily ensnares us, and let us run with
endurance the race that is set before
us, ² looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher
of our faith, who for the joy that was set before
Him endured the cross, despising the shame,
and has sat down at the right hand of the
throne of God.*

**Shamed by the world for doing what is right
(in  of God)**

Acts 5:41

40 And they agreed with him, and when they had called for the apostles and beaten *them*, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name.

What causes shame?

What does shame cause?

**Is Shame part of God's
plan?**

Romans 9

33 As it is written:

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and rock of offense,
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Romans 10

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offense.”
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word, to which they also were appointed.**

God uses Shame?

1 Corinthians 1

27 But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.

28 God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him.

**God allows feeling of
shame...**

**IT MATTERS
What we do with
Shame!**

When Shame showed up

Genesis 2:25

**Adam and his wife were both naked, and
they felt no shame.**

What causes Shame?

Genesis 3

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it.

She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked;

so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

What does Shame cause?

8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

Sometimes the Apple don't fall far from the tree

Genesis 4

4 And Abel also brought an offering—fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering,

5 but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

⁶ Then the LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? ⁷ If you do what is right, will you not be accepted?

But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it.”

⁸What we do with shame matters!!

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**When God speaks, & we do not respond
accordingly...**

"Shame shows up"

Matthew 19

**¹⁶ Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked,
"Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal
life?"**

**¹⁷ "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus
replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want
to enter life, keep the commandments."**

¹⁸ "Which ones?" he inquired.

Jesus replied, “You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, ¹⁹ honor your father and mother,’ and ‘love your neighbor as yourself.”

²⁰ “All these I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?”

21 Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven.

Then come, follow me."

22 When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

(Why?)

Jacob lied

Moses murdered

David had an affair

Peter disowned Jesus

Saul hunted & stoned Christians

**God used every single one of these people to
build the kingdom**

**You are never too far gone for God to use. Don't
let the devil deceive you and still God's plan
from you?**

**God allows feeling of
shame...**

IT MATTERS
What we do with
Shame!

"Shame is not the blame"

**Understand the reason it
came!!!**

***Come let us reason together.
Isaiah 1:18***

Jude 1

³ Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation,...

⁵ But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.

⁶ And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;.....

Jude 1

11 Woe to them!

For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

12 These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving *only* themselves.

Jude 1

They are clouds without water,
carried about by the winds;
late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead,
pulled up by the roots;
¹³ raging waves of the sea,
foaming up their own shame;
wandering stars for whom is reserved the
blackness of darkness forever.

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**What are we going to do with
Jesus?**

**What are we going to do when the
Holy Spirit of Truth confronts us?**

IT MATTERS

Lets look @

**Why the Spirit of Truth
convicts us....**

**What Shame can cause
when take truly take it
God!**

Psalms 51

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.**
- ² Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.**

**³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.**

**⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.**

**⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother
conceived me.**

**⁶ Yet you desired faithfulness even in
the womb; you taught me wisdom in
that secret place.**

7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be
clean;
wash me, and I will be whiter than
snow.

8 Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones you have crushed
rejoice.

9 Hide your face from **my sins**
and blot out all my iniquity.

**10 Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within
me.**

**11 Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.**

**12 Restore to me the joy of your
salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to
sustain me.**

**13 Then I will teach transgressors your
ways,
so that sinners will turn back to you.**

**14 Deliver me from the guilt of
bloodshed,**

**O God,
you who are God my Savior,
and my tongue will sing of your
righteousness.**

**15 Open my lips, Lord,
and my mouth will declare your
praise.**

**16 You do not delight in sacrifice, or I
would bring it;
you do not take pleasure in burnt
offerings.**

**17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart
you, God, will not despise.**

