
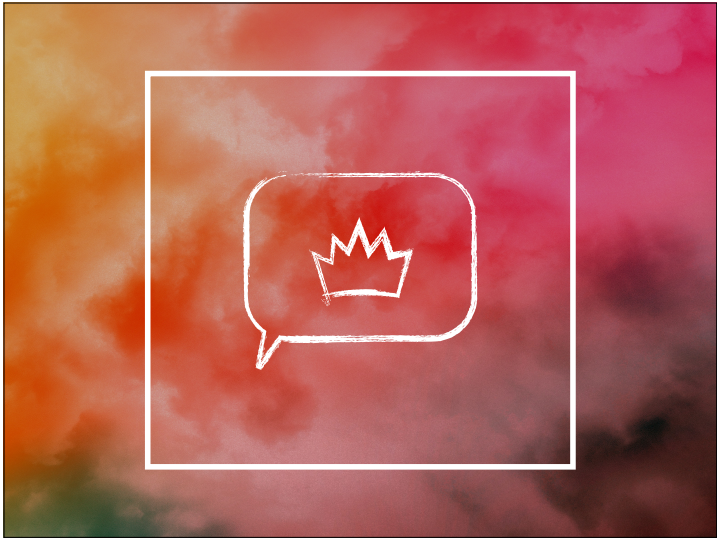




**POWER**



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*of*  
PROCLAIMING  
JESUS



**For I am not ashamed  
of the gospel, for it is  
the power of God for  
salvation to everyone  
who believes.**

*-Romans 1:16*



# ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL?

are you ashamed of the gospel?



Adam and Eve, naked in the garden,  
ashamed of their sin --  
Peter, ashamed for denying Jesus

When we are ashamed of the gospel,  
we're taking ourselves back into that  
moment, of denial, of forgetting the  
Power that is with Jesus.



**FAITHLESS**

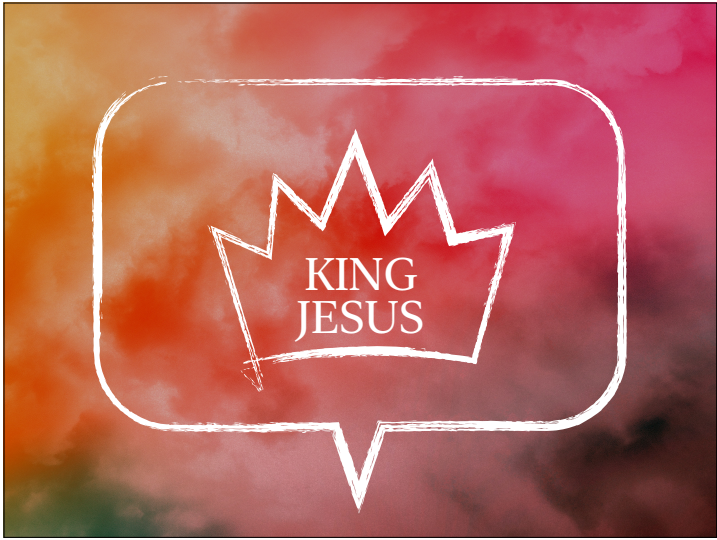
When you are ashamed of the gospel,  
you lack faith.

You've forgotten what the power of  
the gospel is.

That it is good news!

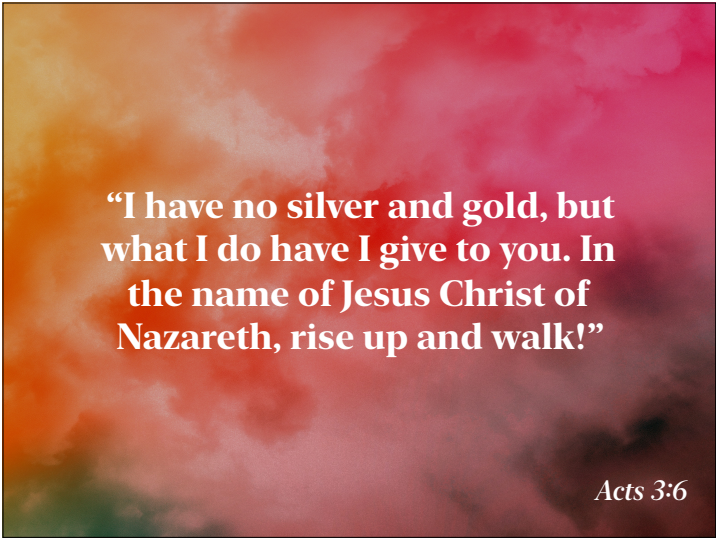


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# ACTS 3



**“I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!”**

*Acts 3:6*

Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. 2 And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. 3 Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. 4 And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, “Look at us.” 5 And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. 6 But Peter said, **“I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!”** 7 And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. 8 And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. **And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.**

**“Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?... And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.**

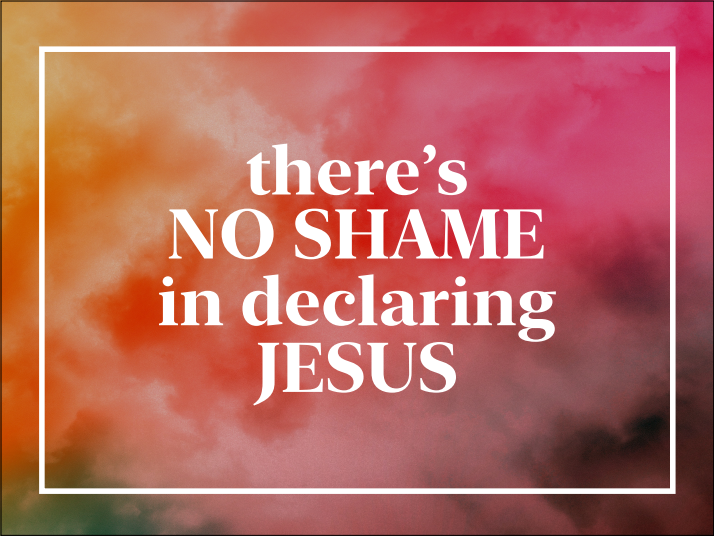
*Acts 3:12,16*

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. 12 And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: “Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? 13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant[b] Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. 14 But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 16 And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus[c] has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.



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# ACTS 4

**And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead...**

*Acts 4:1*

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, 2 greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. 3 And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. 4 But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them ... “let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well.”

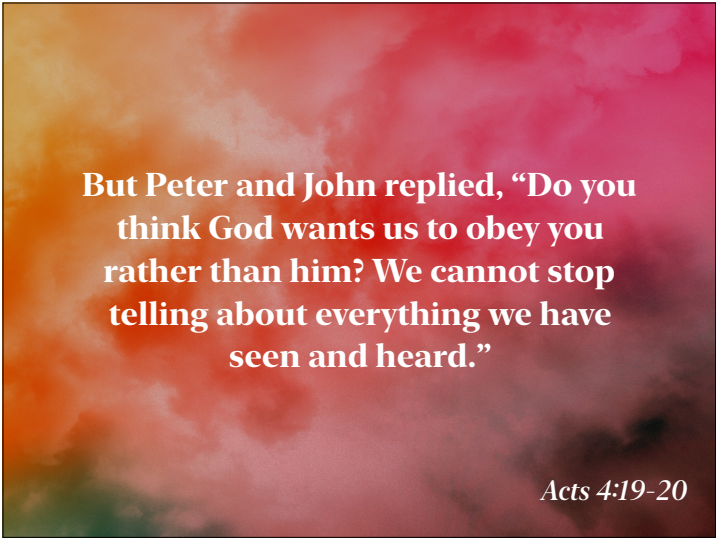
*Acts 4:8,10*

On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, 6 with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. 7 And when they had set them in the midst, they enquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” 8 **Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders,** 9 if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, 10 **let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well.** 11 This Jesus[a] is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. 12 **And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”**

**Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished . . . But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name.**

*Acts 4:13,17*

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. 14 But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. 15 But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, 16 saying, "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. 17 But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name."



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*Acts 4:19-20*

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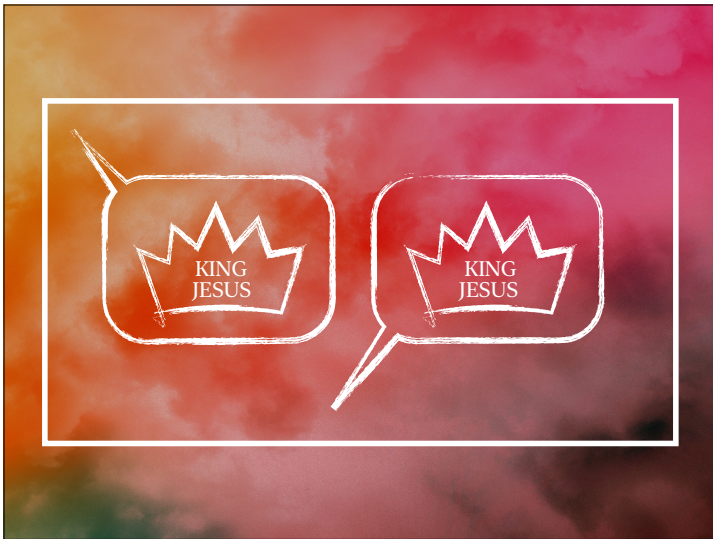


**Have You  
FORGOTTEN?**



You *must* talk  
about what you  
have seen, have  
heard, have  
experienced.

It is God saying Jesus is King &  
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**It's not  
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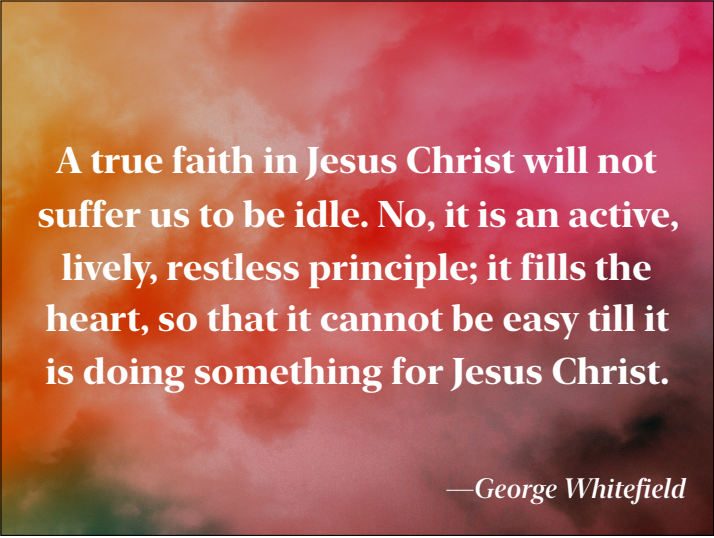
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**His voice leads us not into timid  
discipleship but into bold witness.**

—*Charles Stanley*

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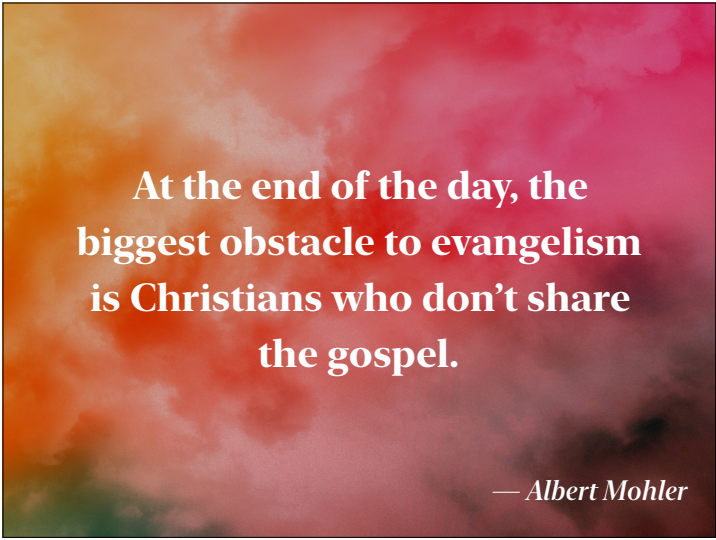
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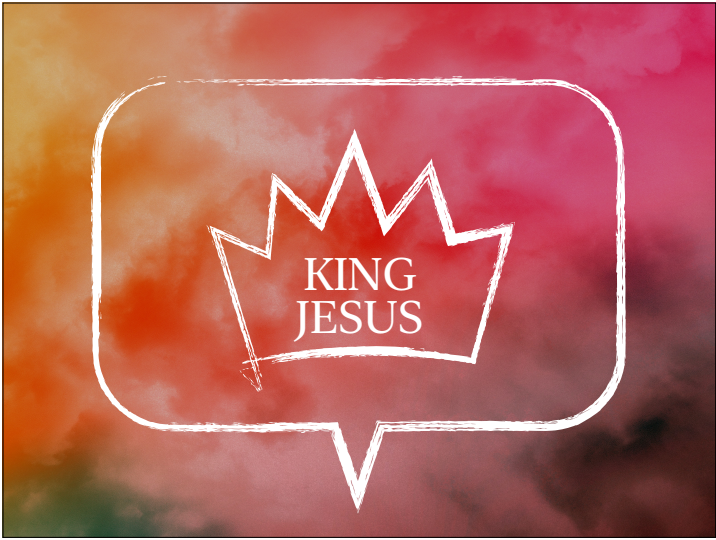



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