

LIFEGROUPS

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Sermon-based Discussion Questions

1. Can you think of a time when you or someone you know was eager to share some good news? (Something like a recent job promotion or a positive pregnancy test, etc.)
2. Romans 15:17-22 explains how Paul's three missionary journeys prevented him from visiting Rome sooner. What might this teach us about God's plans vs. our plans?
3. In Romans 15:19 Paul says he's fully proclaimed the gospel from Jerusalem all the way to Illyricum. Then in Romans 15:23-24 he says he plans to head to Spain next after preaching the gospel in Rome. Does hearing stories of people like Paul ever make you feel like sharing your faith in little old Bemidji isn't that big of a deal? Explain.
4. Read Romans 1:14-15. Can you think of anyone with whom you feel obligated or eager to share the gospel?
5. Read Romans 1:16-17. What are some of the reasons these verses give us for being eager to share the gospel?
6. In Romans 1:16 Paul says he's not ashamed of the gospel. Why do you think some people might be?
7. At the end of the sermon, what were the 3 suggested strategies for increasing our gospel eagerness?
(*Optional: If you have time, give an opportunity for someone to share their testimony of faith.*)