



## WHAT IF WE ARE EMBARRASSED TO TALK TO PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS?

**BIBLE STORY:** Not Ashamed of the Gospel (2 Timothy 1:8-18)

**BIBLE TRUTH:** The power of God helps us not to be ashamed of the gospel.

**BIBLE VERSE:** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek. *Romans 1:16*

**BONUS VERSE:** But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. *James 1:22*

Paul wrote a letter to his friend and helper, Timothy. Paul wanted Timothy to know he was not ashamed of the gospel even though he was in prison for telling others about Jesus. Paul would not allow his imprisonment to stop him from boldly sharing Christ with the people around him. In fact, he would tell others this was exactly why he was in prison.

Paul told Timothy he could rely on the power God gives to share Jesus with others. This is the work that God gives every believer to do. Believers can work from the strength God gives. It was God's plan for believers to do this even before the world began.

Ask your child about a plan he or she has made recently. Ask what it was for. Did it go as planned? What was something that could have been done differently? Draw a picture together of another plan you and your child can develop together. Possible plans could be to make breakfast in bed for the family or to make a card for a friend. Help your child think about his or her plan. Think of a way you can include a plan to share the gospel while also carrying out the plan you drew. Choose a day to act on your plan. Later, discuss what worked and what you would possibly change.

