ROMANS 1:16

"I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believe: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile."

UNASHAMED: TO THE ONLY WISE GOD Romans 16

A SHEPHERD'S HEART VSS. 1-16

- Acknowledge and express appreciation for those who serve alongside you in ministry.
- Recall their sacrifice.
- Encourage their faith and their faithfulness.

"But I don't want to rob them of eternal blessings." A servant of God is robbed of blessing only by the motive of their own heart, not your gratitude.

A CAUTION: THE PRAISE OF MEN

Matt. 6:5; John 12:43

It can be intoxicating

"The crucible for silver and the furnace for gold, but man is tested by the praise he receives." Prov. 27:21

VSS. 17-19

Stay away from doctrinally divisive people. They are not serving Christ.

Matt. 24:24 Acts 20:29-30 Gal. 1:6-12 1 John In essence, "Your witness is clear. But I am reminding you to keep it that way."

Wise about good; innocent about evil. "Walk in the light..." 1 John 1:5-7



Be encouraged, Church! "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet."

Bask in His unmerited favor

VSS. 21-24

Greetings from Paul's companions in ministry, including Tertius, who served as a scribe.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY VSS. 25-27

Now to Him (the only wise God) be glory forever through Jesus Christ!

He is able to establish you by the Gospel.

This Gospel was hidden but is now revealed through the word of the prophets of the eternal God at His command.

Why? So that all nations might believe AND obey Him.

And so we proclaim, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel..."