THE ANSWER

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Romans 1:16 (ESV)

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

From the very beginning of the church Jesus has been the only answer. Jesus is the power of God forgiving our sins giving us eternal life.

Acts 4:12 (ESV)

And there is salvation in **no one else**, for there is no other name (Jesus) under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

From the very beginning of the church recognized the Power of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 1:8 (ESV)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you.

The Power of God TRANSFORMS us from within to behave like Jesus. This is the answer!

2 Corinthians 3:18 (ESV)

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are **being** <u>transformed</u> into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Here is the problem. #1 The Rejection of God.

Romans 1:21 (ESV)

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

#2 When man rejects God, <u>God releases man</u> to his passions and desires.

Rom.1:24 (NIV)

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

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- b)The Answer is Jesus the power of God for forgiveness and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our behavior.

#3 However if we continue to reject God and continue in our immoral passions, <u>God releases man again</u> to his passions and desires.

Rom.1:26 (NIV)

Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged <u>natural</u> sexual relations for <u>unnatural</u> ones.

Rom.1:27 (NIV)

In the same way the men also abandoned <u>natural</u> relations with women and were <u>inflamed with lust for</u> one another.

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The world lies to us about man's behavior. God who loves us will forgive us through Jesus and transform us by the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:9–10 (ESV)

⁹ Or do you not know that **the unrighteous** will not inherit the kingdom of God? **Do not be deceived:** (continued) **Neither** the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

The Power of God!!!

1 Corinthians 6:11 (ESV)

And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

#4 However if we continue to reject God and continue in our immoral passions, God releases us again:

Rom.1:27 (NIV)

Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a <u>depraved mind</u>, so that they do what ought not to be done.

A deprayed mind is a mind completely given over to evil. It is behavior totally void of the goodness of God.

Rom.1:29 (NIV)

They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, ... Haters of God ... Disobedient to parents ... Heartless ..

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#5 If we continue to reject God and continue in our immoral passions, we ultimately will face God's judgment.

2 Corinthians 5:10 (ESV)

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

We know the problem, and we have the solution!

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For I am not ashamed of **the gospel (good news of Jesus)**, for it is **the power of God** for salvation to everyone who believes!

This is why we are not ashamed! We are not afraid! We have THE ANSWER with the power of the Holy Spirit!

2Cor.5:21 (NASB)

He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Prophetic Team
Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.