

**Series Theme Verse**

*<sup>16</sup>For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup>For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”*

**Romans 1:16-17 ESV**

**TRUTH: In the Gospel, God lavishes His UNPROVOKED MERCY upon us in Christ.**

**1. The Bible is a story of God’s unprovoked mercy.**

**2. The Gospel is the ultimate expression of God’s unprovoked mercy.**

*<sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved...*

**Ephesians 2:4-5**

**2. The Gospel is the ultimate expression of God’s unprovoked mercy.**

*<sup>6</sup>...and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus...*

*<sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

**Ephesians 2:6-7, 10**