The "I AM" Statements Of Paul

(Romans 1:14-16)

Introduction: 1. An interesting characteristic of the book of John is that it records seven miracles of Jesus and it also records seven "I Am" statements.

- 1. Water to wine (2:1-11).
- 2. Feverish son (4:46-54).
- 3. Lame man (5:1-15).
- 4. Feeds 5,000 (6:1-14).
- 4. Good Shepherd (10:11). 5. Walks on water (6:15-21).

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5. Resurrection & Life (11:25).

Bread of life (6:35,48).

Door of sheep (10:7,9).

Light of world (8:12).

- 6. Blind man (9:1-12).
 - 6. Way, Truth & Life (14:6). Raises Lazarus (11:1-44). 7. True vine (15:1,5).
- In the book of Romans, Paul gives us three "I Am" statements that ought 2. to be true of our lives as well.
- 3. As we listen to what Paul said, I want you to ask yourself if you can say the same things.

I AM a Debtor Ι.

- Α. (Romans 1:14).
- Β. Having himself been saved, Paul now feels an obligation to reach out to others and help them go to Heaven.
- C. (1 Corinthians 9:16-17).

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II. I AM Ready to Preach

- Α. (Romans 1:15).
- Β. Paul had an advantage with respect to knowlege (Luke 12:12; Mt. 10:19).
- C. But he had to prepare himself mentally.
- It takes courage to speak for God. D.
- E. Are you ready to preach/teach for the Lord (Hebrews 5:12)?
 - Do you have the knowledge (1 Peter 3:15; 2 Peter 3:18). 1.
 - 2. Do you have the courage (Acts 4:13).

III. I AM Not Ashamed of the Gospel

- Α. (Romans 1:16).
- Β. Don't ever be embarrassed of God's word.
- C. Seldom will his word be in line with culture.
- D. We must learn to stand alone in a godless society.
- Conclusion: 1. So, did you examine your life in view of these three "I AM" statements of Paul?
 - Can you say them of your life? 2.
 - 3. If not, then make some changes before it's too late for you and too late for others.