

“They’re Drowning!!”

Rom. 1:14-16

Hi, I'm Crawford Loritts with a Legacy Moment.

One morning, I woke up to find that our basement was flooded. We live in the Atlanta area, and that summer it rained for several weeks straight. The ground was saturated. I had a very busy day ahead of me, and getting water out of my basement was not on my agenda. But these things never happen when you have plenty of time on your hands! This was a crisis that demanded my attention.

Our world is in a crisis, and it's more than just a flooded basement. People all around us are drowning in sin. The folks you work with, that next-door neighbor you see over the fence, that college roommate, if they don't know Christ as Savior and Lord—they're all drowning in sin. It's truly a crisis that demands all hands on deck.

Listen to these words from the Apostle Paul, as he outlines the urgency gripping his heart, and let's pray that we will be driven by this same mission. Romans chapter 1, verses 14 through 16; “I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome. 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.”

Notice those three declarations. He says, “I am under obligation, I am eager, I am not ashamed.” By way of this personal testimony, the Apostle Paul was underscoring that a vision of the lost, condemned condition of people would change our priorities and drive us to action.

Here's what I want you to remember today. People are in a desperate situation. We have a crisis on our hands, and it's a lot more than a flooded basement. Let's rescue the dying!