

# The Messenger or Minister of God

## Romans 15:14–21

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| <p><b>1. <i>He was gracious in dealing with people</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Called them brothers</li><li>b. Acknowledged their commendable qualities</li></ul>   | <p>14 I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, complete in knowledge and competent to instruct one another.</p>  |
| <p><b>2. <i>He was bold in reminding people of the gospel</i></b></p>  | <p>15 I have written you quite boldly on some points,  as if to remind you of them again, because of the grace God gave me</p>  |
| <p><b>3. <i>He was called to minister the gospel of God</i></b></p>  | <p>16 To be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles with the priestly duty of proclaiming the gospel of God, so that the Gentiles might become an offering acceptable to God, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.</p>   |
| <p><b>4. <i>He gloried only in Christ and things that pertain to God</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Gloried in what Christ had done through him</li><li>b. Gloried in the obedience of converts — accomplished by Christ</li><li>c. Gloried in the mighty signs and miracles accomplished by the Spirit</li><li>d. Gloried in the fact that he could preach the gospel of Christ all around the area</li></ul> | <p>17 Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God.</p> <p>18 I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done —</p> <p>19 By the power of signs and miracles, through the power of the Spirit. So from Jerusalem all the way around to Illyricum, I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ.</p> |
| <p><b>5. <i>He sought to preach the gospel in pioneer areas</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. To reach those who had never heard the name of Christ</li><li>b. To fulfil God’s call for his life: To reach the remote areas of the world</li></ul>  | <p>20 It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known, so that I would not be building on someone else’s foundation.</p> <p>21 Rather, as it is written: “Those who were not told about him will see, and those who have not heard will understand.”</p>   |