To Tell or Not To Tell? (That is the question?)

Acts 26:19

- What was Paul obeying in Acts 26:16-18?
- We sing a song written by Jessie Pounds entitled, "Tell it Today."
- Our willingness to share the message of Christ is challenged on three levels in this song.
- We will share the gospel of Christ... IF......

• We will share the gospel of Christ... IF.....

WE APPRECIATE JESUS

- I Tim. 1:12-14
- I Cor. 15:8b-10
 - Here is a man who appreciated Jesus.
- Can you say that being a Christian has **blessed your life**?

• We will share the gospel of Christ... IF.....

WE BELIEVE JESUS

- Gal. 2:20
- Paul expounds upon this idea being crucified with Christ in Gal. 6:14
- Romans 1:16- "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ....."

• We will share the gospel of Christ... IF.....

WE LOVE JESUS

- Think about Peter in John 21:15-17
- Phil. 1:15-16, "Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. The latter to it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel."

- Questions:
- Does the gospel (good news) of Christ cause us joy or <u>discomfort</u>?
- Does it result in <u>strength</u> of <u>shame</u>?
- When it comes to honoring Jesus do we place more <u>confidence</u> in our <u>worship</u> or more <u>emphasis</u> on our <u>conversations</u> in the world?
- Does the bulk or our <u>Christianity</u> happen <u>inside the church</u> <u>building</u>?
- Have we been disobedient to the heavenly mandate?- Matt. 28:19