

## **Shame after Jesus**

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Let's overhear Paul as he ponders

Jesus was crucified. Crucified. Crucified in weakness. (2 Cor 13:4)

Associations. It's all about associations. Bulls, laying on hands.

With whom am I identified?

By faith, I am identified with Jesus, he with me. In Christ I have a great exchange: shame for holiness.

Now only my own sin can make me dirty.

Now I get to live out the crucified life. (Gal 2:20)

Shame, here I come. My badge for membership in the Kingdom of God? I am an outcast and shamed.

I love shame, and I spit on shame.

Shame and honor for those Corinthian rascals

"Paul, what are your credentials?"

Give me a few minutes to boast. (2 Cor 11-12)

Let me tell you who you are. (2 Cor 3:18, 1 Cor 7:14)

 Shame and honor for those surrounded by the world, i.e., the culture of worldly honor, personal reputation, money, power, and influence.

Let me tell you who I am. (Phil 1:1)

Shame is from what we do, not from what is done to us. (Phil 1:27)

Keep in mind the master story. (Phil 2:5–11)

Here is my bio. (Phil 3:4-11)

"I urge you to imitate me." (1 Cor 4:16)