

Daily Devotion For July 29, 2021

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation, to the Jew first and then to the gentile." Romans 1:16

Have you been enjoying watching the Olympic games? As much as I love to watch the Olympics, what excites me is to hear of some of the background stories of Christian athletes and their boldness to share their faith on the Olympic platform.

For instance, in 2016, Simone Manuel took home four Olympic medals, two gold and two silver: She won gold in the 100m freestyle and the 4x100m medley relay. She took silver as part of the 4x100m freestyle relay and in the 50m freestyle event. This year Simone Manuel has returned to games in Tokyo. However, for months, Simone was afflicted by overtraining, a condition that left her mentally depressed and her body exhausted. Her doctor ordered her to halt working out for three weeks in March of this year. At the Olympic trials in June, she failed to qualify for the finals of the 100m freestyle. But she is now in Tokyo after qualifying in the 50m freestyle. In an NBC interview she said, "I just had to take a moment to praise God, I mean, this year has been difficult, especially the last couple months, but before I dove in, I felt like it was my moment, and I'm so thankful for the blessings that God has given me."

Thought For Today: Take time to praise God today for who he is. For what blessings are you thankful for? Take time and tell God. Are you ashamed to share the gospel? Why or Why Not?

Today's Prayer Focus: Pray for opportunities and for boldness to share the gospel. Continue to pray this week's prayer fuel. Deo Volente.