

Introduction of Paul

- 1:1 From: Paul called to be an apostle “An ambassador of the Gospel”, gospel of God
- 1:2) God promised through the prophets
- 1:2) Jesus would come
- 1:3) Descending through David in flesh
- 1:4) But yet God
- 1:4) Proven by the resurrection
- 1:5) Through whom we receive grace on our sins
- 1:5) And been appointed as ambassador
- 1:5) to spread the call for obedience to faith in Him
- 1:5) in all nations

Purpose to Visit Rome

- 1:7-12 To the church in Rome
- 1:12 Purpose to bring Spiritual gifts and share in encouragement.
- 1:14-15 Called by Jesus to preach to the [Greek and Barbarian (non Greek)]
 - Sets idea for mission to Spain

The Power of the Gospel

- 1:16-17 Paul preaches the gospel because he is not afraid
 - Because in it is the power of salvation
 - For everyone [Jew first also Greek]
 - This is a Theme all the way through. The election of Israel precedes the Gentiles
 - Revealed by faith and grows faith “The righteous shall live by faith” Hab 2:4
 - Faith may need some definition.
 - A gift, much like any spiritual gift; must be exercised and increased. - scripture

The Condemnation of the Unrighteous

- 1:18-32 Gods existence made plain to all
 - Unrighteousness of Gentiles

The Condemnation of the Moralistic Jew

- 2:1-11 Don't judge
 - Addressing the Jews
- 2:4 “God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance”
 - It is God who judges – by the motive in your actions.
[The Jew first and also the Greek]
- 2:5 Or be judged by Gods wrath
- 2:10 Jew and Greek
God shows no partiality

2:12-16 The Law

[To the Jew]

2:12 “All who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law”

- Israel’s faith is in the law, then that will be judged by it. All fall short

[To the Gentile]

2:15 “The work of the law is written on their hearts while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them”

- Gentiles have had access to the law on their conscience.
- Motive is their judge

The Condemnation of the Hypocric Jew

2:17-25 Jewish Hypocrisy drives men away from God

“The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you”

2:26-29 Being Jewish (Circumcised) is more about your actions then ancestry.

2:27 Geniles who obey are more Jewish

God still faithful to Israel

3:1-3 “Then what advantage has the Jew” (1) Entrusted with the oracles of God [9]
(2) [3:31] Uphold the Law
(3) [11:30] Tool to lay foundation calling all.
(4) [11:26] Israel “The remnant” will have salvation

3:4-8 Gods promise remains just though Israel is unfaithful.

3:8 But don't take Gods mercy for a grated

The Condemnation of the World

3:9-18 So Jew and Gentile alike under sin.

[Of the Jew]

3:20 Through the law comes knowledge of sin. [JEW]

3:21-22 Jesus has replaces the Law by showing us Gods sacrifice and our selfish unrighteousness.

[Of the Gentile]

3:23-26 But we are justified by God’s gift in Jesus

...put forward as a PROPITIATION by His blood. --> Ex 25:17

3:27 “Justified by faith, apart from works of the law”

3:28-31 For he is the God of both Jew and Gentile

Abrahams righteousness

4:1-3 Abraham was counted as righteous

- Justified through faith

4:4 Wages of deed is owed to us (Death)

Rom 4:7 "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;

- Propitiation over Sin; Mercy-Seat (Cover of atonement) over the Law

4:5-12 Abraham was counted as righteous

4:13-23 Before circumcised – Before he was a Jew

4:13 Heir of the world

4:16 God did not couple Jews and salvation exclusively. We are all in the same locality with God as Abraham was.

4:24-25 Our element of Faith is belief in Jesus Christ and his resurrection.

Justification

5:1-4 Progression from faith

- Faith in Jesus
- Jesus grace justifies us
- Jesus declares us righteous
- At peace with God
- So Rejoice – even in suffering

5:5 Progression of Rejoice | Endurance | Character | Hope |
Will not be disappointed because God had given us His Holy Spirit

5:6-11 "God demonstrates his own love for us"

5:10 God sacrificed for us, when you were his enemy.

Adams trespass and Jesus sacrifice

5:12-14 Through Adam one sin spread to all

5:15-19 Through one man's act of righteousness (sacrifice) Justification for all men

5:20-21 Law came to make mans sin evident
But Grace abounds over sin.

Death to Sin

6:1-14 Death to sin through our baptism into Jesus death

6:4-5 Resurrected with Jesus

6:15-20 We are slaves; of either sin or righteousness

6:21-23 Fruit produced under sin: ashamed (and death)
Fruit produced under righteousness: sanctification (and eternal life)

Relationship to the Law

- 7:1-6 The law is not eternal -> Marriage analogy
7:6 “ But now we are released from the law, and having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the spirit”
- 7:7-13 The law is holy in showing us our sin
Sin exists and the law exposes our sins, it does not draw us to sin.
- 7:14-15 The law is spirit
The flesh is sin
Rom 7:15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.
- 7:16-25 Human condition of the spirit and the flesh (pride, coarctness)
Original sin:
Rom 7:24 What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?

Relationship to the Holy Spirit

- 8:1-17 We are set free from the law of sin and flesh.
8:1 “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus”
8:3 God has done what the law could not do, set our minds on that which is righteous.
8:11 Holy Spirit dwells in you
8:14 We are sons of God, adopted.
“For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.”
- 8:18-24 As children of God we are His heirs and inherit his suffering on this earth.
8:23 All creation suffers awaiting for His return and redemption.
- 8:25-27 We have hope patiently waiting, and the Spirit of God intercedes for us.
8:28 God is working all thing for the good of those who love Him.
8:29-30 Progression of salvation.
 - o God foreknew
 - o Set a destiny to change into likeness of Jesus.
 - o Called
 - o Justified
 - o Glorified
- 8:31-34 “If God is for us, who can be against us?”
8:35-39 Fear nothing, not even death. God has defeated them all and we are in Him.

Israel's Rejection Considered

- 9:1-19 Paul longs for Israel
9:4 Gods election of Israel
9:8-19 Gods Sovereignty in His election
9:20-23 We do not understand Gods ways (his plan)
9:24-29 For example, Gods plan all along, to call the Gentiles
Quoting Hosea, Isaiah.
Isaiah, If God did not elect the Hebrews we would all be like Sodom and Gomorrah.

Israel's unbelief

- 9:30-33 The mechanism for all is Faith.
The key to this mechanism is Jesus.
Prepared to trip the Jews who seek salvation based on works.
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- 10:1-4 The Jews reject Gods righteousness over their pride in their own knowledge.
Jesus is the knowledge not the law. The law ends with the Christ.
- 10:5-11 Faith does not attempt to judge who is saved and who is not.
- 10:12-13 No distinction between Jew and Greek
- 10:14 Progression of our duty to salvation.
- Can't come to Jesus if don't believe
 - Can't believe if haven't heard.
 - Can't hear without preaching
- 10:15 So preach the good news.

Israel's Rejection not Complete nor Final

- 11:1 Then what of God's promise to Israel.
- 11:2-6 There is a remnant who have faith.
- 11:7-10 Prophecy of the hardening of Israel
- 11:11-15 Israel became hardened
- 11:11 So salvation can come to the Gentiles
 - 11:11 To make Israel jealous.
 - 11:15 And thus the reconciliation of all the world
- 11:16-24 Tree analogy of God's elect.
- 11: 17 God has brought in the Gentiles.
 - 11:18 Don't be arrogant about it.
 - 11:23 God could bring back Israel.
- 11:25-31 Israel's hardening is not absolute.
- 11:25 Until the fullness of the Gentiles has come.
 - 11:28 Israel enemies of God now, but they are beloved because of their election.
 - 11:30 Do not judge, roles have reversed on Israel and Gentiles and can again.
- 11:33-35 The mystery of Gods ways.

Conduct of the Believer

- 12:1 "...present your bodies as a living sacrifice..."
- 12:2 Do not be of the world, discern the will of God
- 12:3-8 Be humble
- Recognize all gifted by God
- 12:9-11 Love one another
- 12:12-13 Love the saints
- 12:14-21 Love your enemies
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- 13:1-7 Submit to authorities
- 13:8-10 Love your neighbor
- 13:11-14 Make no provisions for the flesh.

Exhortation between Cultures

14:1-12 Don't judge others cultural differences.

14:2-4 What one eats.

- Don't pass judgment on another's servant

14:5-6 Which day is holy.

14:7-12 Do it for the Lord, we will give an account to God

14:13-23 Don't hinder a brother in Christ through Judgment.

15:1-12 Help one another.

15:3 Let all criticism fall on Jesus

15:7 Jew and Greek welcome each other

15:8 Because Christ was a servant to the Jews

15:8 To fulfill God's promise

15:9 In order to bring salvation to the Gentiles.

Paul's Motivation for Writing the Letter

15:14-15 Paul is confident the audience will take the wise counsel.

15:16 And accept the Gentiles.

15:20 Paul's calling is to preach to those who have not heard

15:21 "Those who have never been told of him will see, and those who have never heard will understand."

15:22-33 Paul's motive to take a mission to Spain

Personal Greetings

16:1-27 Great list of friend the Lord brought to Paul in Corinth.