

Ladies Bible Study week 3

September 23, 2025

We read Romans 1:1-17 this week.

What is the importance of Romans?

- It presents _____ truth.
- It presents _____ truth.
- It presents _____ truth.

For centuries Romans has been a great defense of the faith!



Let's look at the background of Romans:

Paul wrote Romans during his 3 month visit to _____.

_____ did Rome have a group of believers?

Was it _____?

Paul states he did not want to build on another man's _____.

There were people at _____ from Rome.

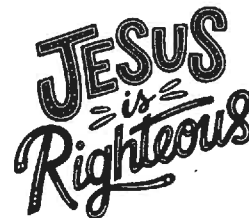
Most likely the group of believers in Rome were converts from Paul's other _____.

Purpose

What was the purpose of this letter to the Romans?

- _____
- Theological
- _____





The basic theme of Romans is righteousness.

- In chapters 1-3, he presents the _____ for righteousness.
- In chapters 3-8, he presents God's _____ of righteousness.
- In chapters 9-11, he presents how Israel rejected God's righteousness.
- In chapters 12-16, he presents how this righteousness must be lived in daily _____.



In Romans 1:1-7, we have the salutation. Paul begins all 13 of his letters with his name.

- In verse 1, we see, "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ"
 - What is a servant of Jesus?
 - Greek word = doulos - slave or _____
 - Paul is saying he has given himself up to further advance the cause of Christ. I owe everything to Christ and the grace He has given to me.



Save for Later

Romans 5:20-21

Ephesians 2:4-7

1 Timothy 1:12-16

Romans 1:1, 11:13, 1 Corinthians 1:1, 9:1-2, 15:9

2 Corinthians 1:1, 12:12, Galatians 1:1, Ephesians 1:1

Colossians 1:1, 1 Timothy 1:1, 2 Timothy 1:11, Titus 1:1

"Called to be an apostle"

It is important to note the word "_____." Paul was called - not self-_____.

Paul did not appoint himself to be an apostle - God called him to be an apostle.



What is an apostle?

Person who is _____.

In its broadest sense, an apostle can refer to _____ believers because every believer is told to _____ the gospel of Christ:

1 Timothy 2:4 - Who will have all men to be saved, and come unto the knowledge of truth.

However, in the Bible, apostle is primarily used as a _____ and unique title for the 12, plus Paul, whom Christ personally called.

An apostle was:

- Called _____ by Jesus.
- Witness to His _____.
- Given direct revelation of God's Word to proclaim authoritatively.
- Given gifts of healing, power to cast out demons, and do miraculous things. By those signs, their teaching _____ was verified.



“Separated unto the gospel of God”

When Paul was sent by God to be an apostle, his whole life was _____ in the Lord's service.

He was set apart from a life of sin to a life of _____.

From a life of _____ to a life of service.

He was set apart to preach the gospel - _____ the gospel of grace.



What is the gospel of God? Why does Paul use the words “my gospel” in Romans 16:25? What is the difference between them?

The gospel referred to here had _____ been announced, or previously promised through the Old Testament prophets.

It is the prophesied _____ that the Savior would be “wounded for our transgressions” and “bruised for our iniquities” (Isaiah 53:5).

God has both promised and _____ a remedy for that sin and that remedy is found in the Person of _____, 3 in His substitutionary death.

The issues of sin and redemption are universal and are common to all _____.



This gospel is not to be _____ with Paul's mystery gospel we find in Romans 16:25.

"Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;"

The gospel of God _____ on a Person and that Person is the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

The Son of God, who became _____ flesh, is identified here as a descendant of _____ in the flesh.

Jesus Christ's right to the throne of David, to reign as King over the prophesied Kingdom required that He be a descendant of David.

In the New Testament, the _____ meticulously points out that Jesus Christ, the Redeemer, has every credential for being Jesus Christ, the _____.



"And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:"

Ephesians 1:19-23 - "And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things in the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.



"By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name: Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:"

We = Paul and those who were called to be apostles

Ye = _____

REMEMBER! → In the broadest sense, apostle could be all believers because apostle means a person who is _____.

"To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ."

"Beloved of God, called to be saints" - what a lovely thought!
Beloved means to be deeply _____ or cherished.



"called to be saints" - A saint in the Bible is not one who has attained to anything, but rather one who has been set apart by God as _____ to Himself.

Our _____ characteristic should be that WE ARE HIS!!!

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

We, like Paul, are _____ of grace and peace, and we too _____ this gracious offer from God the Father and His rejected Son by the Spirit, who indwells us, and on the authority of the Word, of which He is the Author.

We, as believers, can look about and see the world is heading straight for that awful day, quickly approaching that day of _____

Where is the urgency? Why do we not feel a responsibility?

Ephesians 5:16 - Redeeming the time because the days are evil.

What are you doing with the _____ God has given you?

Are you telling people with _____ about the gospel??



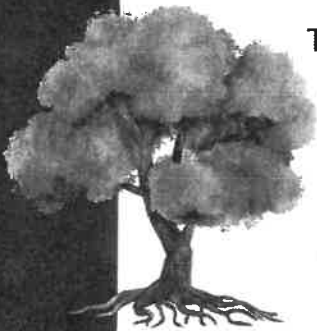
"I thank God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world."

THANKFUL

Is my faith so _____ that people are telling other people about it?

Paul wanted to go them. He _____ to see them.

He wanted to _____ on them some _____ gift to the end that they may be _____.



The more we learn and grow in our faith, the more firmly _____ in our faith we become.

Establishing believers involves:

- ☐ Encouraging them by exhortation
- ☐ Faith and faithfulness are vital factors in producing encouragement
- ☐ This faith must be mutual, reciprocal in one another.

It was not enough for Paul to have faith, but they _____ needed faith, and the interaction between their faith prompted _____.

Paul goes onto say he is debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.

Greek - _____

Barbarian - uncultured

Wise - _____

Unwise - uneducated

Paul was obligated to preach the gospel to _____!!!

To the extent of Paul's physical and mental ability, and as far as the circumstances surrounding him permitted, he was ready, prepared and _____ to preach the gospel also to those in Rome.



For I am not ashamed of the
gospel of Christ: for it is the
power of God unto
salvation to every one that
believeth; to the Jew first,
and also to the Greek.

There is only one way for man to be saved from their sinful _____,
and that is through the shedding of the perfect blood of Jesus Christ.

Power = strength, might, force, and dynamite of God

Since God is the source of the power of the gospel, for Paul to be ashamed of the
gospel, he would have had to be ashamed of _____.

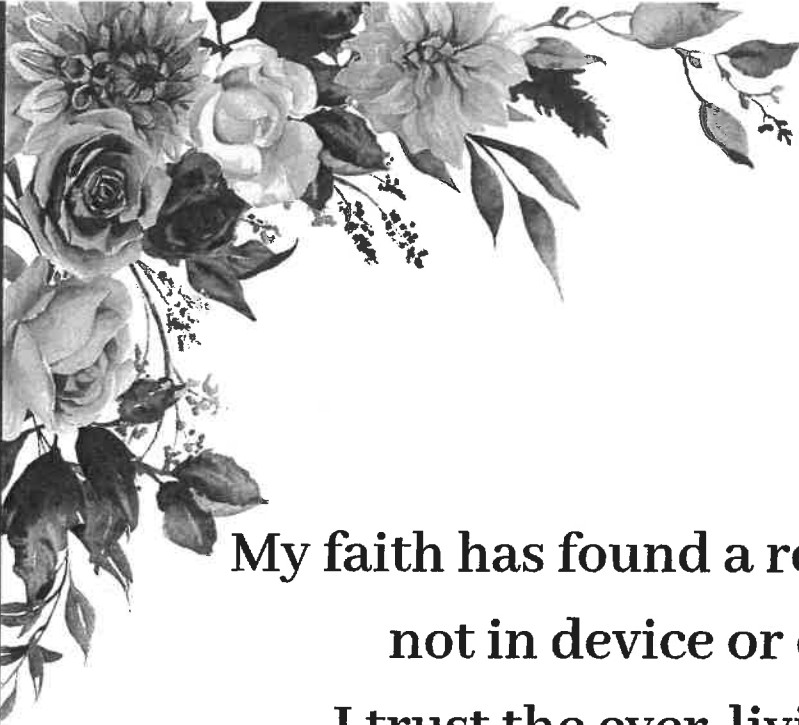
By saying "to the Jew first", we could assume this means they have special
_____. But it means they were the first to hear the gospel
proclaimed.

In this dispensation, ALL CAN BE SAVED! There is no _____.



Paul is proud of the gospel of Christ! Why?

- It is the power of God unto Salvation
 - Why is it the power of God unto salvation?
 - Therein is the righteousness (rightness) of God revealed
 - From faith to faith, His "faith" (fidelity), appealing to us to have "faith" in Him.



My faith has found a resting place,
not in device or creed;
I trust the ever-living One;
His wounds for me shall plead.

I need no other argument,
I need no other plea.
It is enough that Jesus died,
and that He died for me.

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