

INTRODUCTION TO ROMANS.

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Penman: Paul.

1. **Romans 1:1; 11:13; 15:15-20.**
2. An apostle: **1 Corinthians 9:1** "... Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord?" **1 Corinthians 15:8** "... One borne out in due time."
3. Inspired: **Galatians 1:11-12.** "... Neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ."

B. Written to: The church in Rome (Verse 7).

1. We do not know just how the church there came to be established.
2. It was there when Paul arrived.
 - 1) **Romans 1:11** "... For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established."
 - 2) He had wanted to come to them (**1:13; 15:23; Acts 19:21**).
3. Aquila and Priscilla had come from Rome when Paul first met them (**Acts 18:12** "And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius and commanded all Jews too far from Rome:) and came unto them.")

C. Date and place of the writing.

1. Time: about 58 A.D.
2. From: Corinth (**Romans 15:25-26**).

D. The reason for writing.

1. It stresses the need for living in Christ, and the manner in which to accomplish that need.
2. The power of the Gospel of Christ is emphasized.

THE GOSPEL OF GOD.

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E. Text: Romans 1:1-7.

F. Regarding the text:

1. In these verses, Paul states that the Gospel is from God.
2. This theme is repeated throughout the book.
3. Romans Overview:
 - 1) **DOCTRINE** of the Gospel (**Chapters 1-11**).
 - 2) **APPLICATION** of the Gospel (**Chapters 12-16**).

G. Notice:

1. Source of salvation: The Gospel (**1:16**).
2. Revealing God's righteousness: The Gospel (**1:17**).
3. Revealing the mystery: By the Gospel (**16:25-27**).

DISCUSSION: THE GOSPEL...

I. IS PROVIDENTIALLY PREPARED (1:2).

A. It is not an afterthought, but was promised.

1. **Jeremiah 31:31-33.**
2. **Joel 2:28-29.**
3. **Galatians 1:11-12.**

B. The Gospel has three components.

1. **FACTS** to be learned. (**1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Titus 3:14**).

2. COMMANDS to obey (**Mark 16:15-16; Acts 22:16**).

3. PROMISES to enjoy. (**2 Peter 1:3-4**).

C. The Gospel will affect man's intellect, his emotion, and his obedience. (Knowledge, desire and action – Acts 2:37 “When they heard...”)

II. IT PERTAINS TO THE SON OF GOD (ROMANS 1:3-5).

A. Man cannot separate Christ from the Gospel.

1. We cannot serve God without obedience to the Gospel of Christ!

1) **Ecclesiastes 12:13.**

2) **John 14:15.**

3) **1 Thessalonians 4:2.**

4) **2 Thessalonians 1:8.**

2. Without the Gospel we cannot know and serve the Lord.

B. Obedience to the Gospel of Christ is commanded.

1. **Mark 16:15-16.**

2. **Romans 10:13-17... Read.**

1) Preacher = (κηρύσσω) To herald, proclaim.

2) **Luke 12:3** – proclaimed.

III. PROVIDES THE PEACEFUL LIFE (ROMANS 1:6-7).

A. We can have peace with God through the Gospel.

1. In a world of turmoil, the Christian can have a peace.

2. Peace in knowing we are in fellowship with God.

1) The sinner is like the troubled sea, which cannot rest (**Isaiah 57:20-21**).

2) The Christian is at peace with God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

a. **Romans 5:1.**

b. **Romans 8:6.**

B. Well summed up by the Psalmist (Psalm 23).

1. The child's prayer: “Now I lay me down to sleep...”

2. **Philippians 4:7.**

IV. CONCLUSION.

A. Inspiration begins the book of Romans by declaring that the Gospel is of God.

B. It is God's way of giving us instruction as to the life we should live.

1. **1 Corinthians 2:13.**

2. **2 Timothy 3:16-17.**

3. **2 Peter 1:21.**

V. APPEAL: