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Let us
Pray

Now, O my God, I pray, let Your eyes be open and Your ears attentive to the prayer offered in this place. 2 Chronicles 6:40

WORSHIP



Draw me close to you
Never let me go
I lay it all down again
To hear you say that I'm your friend
You are my desire
No one else will do
'Cause nothing else can take your place
To feel the warmth of your embrace
Help me find the way
Bring me back to you

***You're all I want, You're all I've ever needed
You're all I want, Help me know you are near***

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TARGET OF THE LESSON

KNOW

To understand that believers in Christ belong to God and are called to proclaim the Gospel;

FEEL

Rejoice for the privilege of also being part of the destination of the letter;

ACT

To announce the biblical truths to all those who have the opportunity.

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Summary

- Justification to the sinner (chapters 1-4)
- Justification for the justified person (chapters 5-8)
- Justification for Israel (chapters 9-11)
- Practical part (chapters 12-16)



What is justification ?

The Righteousness of God Through Faith (Romans, chapter 3)

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.



Let's take a look at
the city !

Roman Coliseum



Roman Archs & Forum



Temple to Saturn





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Let's read chapter one



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1 From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus and an apostle chosen and called by God to preach his Good News.

2 The Good News was promised long ago by God through his prophets, as written in the Holy Scriptures. 3 It is about his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: as to his humanity, he was born a descendant of David; 4 as to his divine holiness, he was shown with great power to be the Son of God by being raised from death.

5 Through him God gave me the privilege of being an apostle for the sake of Christ, in order to lead people of all nations to believe and obey. .

6 This also includes you who are in Rome, whom God has called to belong to Jesus Christ.

7 And so I write to all of you in Rome whom God loves and has called to be his own people: May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.



Paul starts the letter to the Christians of Rome with a very personal touch. The possessive pronouns related to the first person singular (I, me, mine) occur more than twenty times in the opening verses. It highlights his deep desire to establish a personal relationship with his readers

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If Paul had the authority of apostleship then why did he describe himself as a bond servant?



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Paul said, with joy, his position in Christ-servant and apostle. What has been your feeling about salvation? Does the fact of being separated to Christ reflect intense joy in your heart?

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because the whole world is hearing about your faith. 9 God is my witness that what I say is true—the God whom I serve with all my heart **by preaching the Good News about his Son**. God knows that I remember you 10 every time I pray. I ask that God in his good will may at last make it possible for me to visit you now. 11 For I want very much to see you, in order to share a spiritual blessing with you to make you strong. 12 **What I mean is that both you and I will I be helped at the same time, you by my faith and I by yours.**

13 You must remember, my friends, that many times I have planned to visit you, but something has always kept me from doing so. I want to win converts among you also, as I have among other Gentiles. 14 For I have an obligation to all peoples, to the civilized and to the savage, to the educated and to the ignorant. 15 So then, **I am eager to preach the Good News to you** also who live in Rome.

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The Power of the Gospel

16 I have complete confidence in the gospel; it is God's power to save all who believe, first the Jews and also the Gentiles. 17 For the gospel reveals how God puts people right with himself: **it is through faith** from beginning to end. As the scripture says, "The person who is put right with God through faith shall live."

Human Guilt

18 God's anger is revealed from heaven against all the sin and evil of the people whose evil ways prevent the truth from being known. 19 God punishes them, because what can be known about God is plain to them, for God himself made it plain. 20 Ever since God created the world, his invisible qualities, both his eternal power and his divine nature, have been clearly seen; they are perceived in the things that God has made. So those people have no excuse at all! 21 They know God, but they do not give him the honor that belongs to him, nor do they thank him. Instead, their thoughts have become complete nonsense, and their empty minds are filled with darkness. .



What is the relationship of faith and works?

Let's read:

James 2:14-26

Ephesians 2:8-9

Luke 17:10



Justification x Salvation



Justification :

God's act of removing the guilt and penalty of sin

Salvation:

Accomplished after a lifetime of striving to do God's will

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22 They say they are wise, but they are fools; instead of worshiping the immortal God, they worship images made to look like mortals or birds or animals or reptiles.

24 **And so God has given those people over to do the filthy things their hearts desire, and they do shameful things with each other.**

25 They exchange the truth about God for a lie; they worship and serve what God has created instead of the Creator himself, who is to be praised forever! Amen.

26 **Because they do this, God has given them over to shameful passions.** Even the women pervert the natural use of their sex by unnatural acts. 27 In the same way the men give up natural sexual relations with women and burn with passion for each other. Men do shameful things with each other, and as a result **they bring upon themselves the punishment they deserve for their wrongdoing.**

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28 Because those people refuse to keep in mind the true knowledge about God, he has given them over to corrupted minds, so that they do the things that they should not do. 29 They are filled with all kinds of wickedness, evil, greed, and vice; they are full of jealousy, murder, fighting, deceit, and malice. They gossip 30 and speak evil of one another; they are hateful to God, and boastful; they think of more ways to do evil; they disobey their parents;

31 they have no conscience; they do not keep their promises, and they show no kindness or pity for others. 32 They know that God's law Says that people who live in this way deserve death. Yet, not only do they continue to do these very things, but they even approve of others who do them.

Class discussion...



**What does the Bible say about
free will ?**



13 As for you, my friends, you were called to be free. But do not let this freedom become an excuse for letting your physical desires control you. Instead, let love make you serve one another.

Galatians 5:13 GNT

I am free to do all things; but not all things are wise. I am free to do all things; but I will not let myself come under the power of any.

1 Cor 6:12



We are free to do all things, but there are things which it is not wise to do. We are free to do all things, but not all things are for the common good.

[1 Cor 10:23](#)



What should we learn from Romans ???

- The **origin** of the gospel is God
- The **attestation** of the gospel is scripture
- The **substance** of the gospel is Jesus Christ
- The **scope** of the gospel is **all the nations**
- The **purpose** of the gospel is the obedience of faith
- The **goal** of the gospel is the honour of Jesus' name

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