



THE BOOK OF

ROMANS

INTRODUCTION

CHAPTER 1:1-17

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Introduction

- Romans sets forth most clearly the essence of the Biblical message...
- of how a Holy God gets sinful man into heaven without compromising Himself.
- “[Romans is] the book, that is the explanatory book of the most important book that’s ever been written.” Tommy Nelson
- “Can’t be studied without a revival in a person, a body, and a society.”

V1: Author

- Paul
- Apostello, sent forth ones
- Eye witnesses to go out with the message
- The Gospel: “Good Message”

V2: Source

- Old Testament Prophets
- Not new
- Continuation and fulfillment of the OT

V3: Focus

- Concerning God's Son
- Descendant of David
 - ▣ Docetism (doceteo – to seem)
- Son of God
 - ▣ Theanthropic man

V4: Proof

- He was raise from the Dead
- Spirit of Holiness – a divine term
- Full Title, Lord Jesus Christ
 - ▣ Lord: Divinity
 - ▣ Jesus: Humanity
 - ▣ Christ: Office
 - Prophet
 - Priest
 - King

V5: Purpose

- To move one to action, to believe
- What is the Act of Faith?
- The purpose of the Gospel is to bring you to your knees and confess, “You are my God and my King!”

V5: Scope

- To all nations

V6: Recipients

□ Called

- Summoned by God to be His

- *⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. (1 Pet. 2:9)*

□ Loved

- By God

□ Saints

- Holy Ones, set apart

VV8-15: Occasion

- Immediate Reason for Writing
 - ▣ To clear up any misunderstanding about Paul's intentions
- Paul was thought to be afraid to come to Rome

Afraid?

- V1 1: Praying/Longing to get to Rome
- Wants to see them grow from what he has to offer
- He will be encouraged being among them. Why?
- V1 3: He's Prevented
- V1 4: He's Obligated
- Greeks and the Barbarians
 - ▣ Intelligentsia and the uneducated

The Summit of the Bible



- Romans 1:16-17
- “The greatest words ever penned by a mortal.” Tom Nelson

For I am
NOT ASHAMED
of the Gospel it is **POWER**
of **GOD** for
Salvation to
everyone **WHO**
BELIEVES

Romans 1:16

Power of God

- What it means to be a Christian; faith is in Christ.
- THE Power of God
 - ▣ Boldness comes from conviction of the uniqueness of God's salvation.
 - ▣ No Plan B
 - ▣ Paul understands the realities of the nature of man, condemnation, hell, and justification.

What is the power?

- What is the standard of righteousness to get into heaven?
- “The righteousness that God’s righteousness requires Him to require.” Puritan definition of the righteousness of God.
- Sin is ***punished*** in the Gospel.
- Moral perfection is ***provided*** in the Gospel.
- God’s Righteousness imputed to those *who live by faith*.

Changed the World?

- Augustinian Monk
- Tormented with fear that he couldn't earn heaven
- Sent to Wittenberg to teach Bible
- Eyes fell on Romans 1:16-17

