

Romans 1:1-17
The Gospel: The Power of God
October 17, 2021

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Verses 8-15 Plans to Visit

(Revelation 5:9)

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B) Church is like a _____ - sometimes you give,
sometimes you receive.

Verses 16-17 Paul's Purpose in Writing

(Exodus 20:7, 13, 14 & 16, Romans 3:20)

C) The gospel means _____

Romans Road to Salvation:

- **Romans 3:23** - We are all _____
- **Romans 6:23** - We deserve _____, but God offers _____
- **Romans 5:8** - God loved us, by _____ our _____
- **Romans 10:9-10** We receive this gift by _____
 - To _____ means to change one's mind about sin and Jesus.
- **Romans 8:1** We are no longer under _____

D) The solution is not to get people to act like _____, but to introduce people to Jesus.

Three Truths We Need to Remember:

(1 Cor. 15:9, Ephesians 3:8, 1 Timothy 1:15, Luke 13:4-5)

- 1) No matter how long we've been a Christian, we're still _____ saved by grace.
- 2) Our _____ is in _____
- 3) We cannot become _____ because we never were _____!

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(Revelation 5:9)

A) God is bigger than my CULTURE and language

B) Church is like a BANK - sometimes you give,
sometimes you receive.

Verses 16-17 Paul's Purpose in Writing

(Exodus 20:7, 13, 14 & 16, Romans 3:20)

C) The gospel means GOOD NEWS

Romans Road to Salvation:

- **Romans 3:23** - We are all GUILTY
- **Romans 6:23** - We deserve HELL, but God offers HEAVEN
- **Romans 5:8** - God loved us, by PAYING our DEBT
- **Romans 10:9-10** We receive this gift by FAITH
 - To REPENT means to change one's mind about sin and Jesus.
- **Romans 8:1** We are no longer under JUDGMENT

D) The solution is not to get people to act like CHRISTIANS, but to introduce people to Jesus.

Three Truths We Need to Remember:

(1 Cor. 15:9, Ephesians 3:8, 1 Timothy 1:15, Luke 13:4-5)

- 1) No matter how long we've been a Christian, we're still SINNERS saved by grace.
- 2) Our HOPE is in HEAVEN
- 3) We cannot become DISQUALIFIED because we never were QUALIFIED!

unrighteousness. [10] If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us."

How is this message different from what the world says?

TAKING IT HOME

6) Looking back to your notesheet, which of the "Three Truths to Remember" is most important for you? Why?

7) How does this passage encourage you to rest in the Gospel?

2 Corinthians 5:17 - *"[17] Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."*

8) Looking back at this week's teaching and homework, what is most important for you to remember and why?

PRAYER REQUESTS

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Life Group Homework For the week of October 17, 2021

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1) This week we began a new series through the book of Romans. What is one thing you hope to learn, better understand, or be encouraged in as we study this book?

REVIEW

2) Looking back at your notes, what stood out to you from this week's message in Romans 1:1-17? (Favorite point? Questions? etc..)

DIGGING DEEPER

3) In the book of 2 Kings, the northern kingdom of Israel had turned away from God. So God allowed them to be besieged by the Syrian army. The Israelites in the city were so hungry that dove droppings were sold for 5 pieces of silver (and a donkey's head for 80 pieces). The people thought there was no hope. Read what happens next in the passage below.

2 Kings 7:3-9 - *"[3] Now there were four leprous men at the entrance of the gate; and they said to one another, 'Why are we sitting here until we die? [4] 'If we say, 'We will enter the city,' the famine is in the city, and we shall die there. And if we sit here, we die also. Now therefore, come, let us surrender to the army of the Syrians. If they keep us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall only die.' [5] And they rose at twilight to go to the camp of the Syrians; and when they had come to the outskirts of the Syrian camp, to*

their surprise no one was there. [6] For the Lord had caused the army of the Syrians to hear the noise of chariots and the noise of horses--the noise of a great army; so they said to one another, "Look, the king of Israel has hired against us the kings of the Hittites and the kings of the Egyptians to attack us!" [7] Therefore they arose and fled at twilight, and left the camp intact--their tents, their horses, and their donkeys--and they fled for their lives. [8] And when these lepers came to the outskirts of the camp, they went into one tent and ate and drank, and carried from it silver and gold and clothing, and went and hid them; then they came back and entered another tent, and carried some from there also, and went and hid it. [9] Then they said to one another, "We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news, and we remain silent. If we wait until morning light, some punishment will come upon us. Now therefore, come, let us go and tell the king's household.""

Why do you think the four lepers felt guilty keeping the good news for themselves?

In what way(s) are non-Christians like the Israelites under siege?

In what way(s) are we like the four lepers?

4) Read the following passage, noting any questions or highlights you have.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 - "*[12] And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, [13] although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. [14] And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. [15] This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. [16] However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. [17] Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."*

Reflecting on the above passage, for what purpose does God save us from our sin?

What do you think Paul meant in verse 16?

5) What do the following verses teach us about our sin?

1 John 1:1-10 - "*[5] This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. [6] If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. [7] But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. [8] If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [9] If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all*