

The Epistle of Paul to the Romans

THEME I know it is so of a truth: but how should man be just with God? (Job 9:2)														
SECTION	Doctrine						Duty							
TOPIC	Diagnosis (-ve)			Prescription (+ve)			Outcome							
REFERENCE	1:1-17		1:18-3:20 - What we have done		3:21-5:11 - What He has done		5:12-8:39 - What we are		9:1-11:36 - Where is Israel?	12:1-15:13 - What we should do	15:14-16:27			
SUB-TOPIC	Introduction		SINS		SALVATION		SIN		SOVEREIGNTY	SERVICE	Epilogue			
CONTENT	<p>Author (1:1-2): "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the Gospel of God."</p> <p>Aim (1:3-5): "His Son Jesus Christ our Lord...seed of David (1:3)...the Son of God with power (1:4)"</p> <p>Addressees (1:6-15): "the called of Jesus Christ (1:6)...To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints" (1:7)</p>		<p>For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against... The Hedonist (1:18-32): "God is manifest in them, for God hath shewed it unto them" (1:19)</p> <p>The Moralist (2:1-16): "Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosever thou art that judgest" (2:1)</p> <p>The Religious (2:17-3:18): "Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself?" (2:21)</p>		THE INTERVENTION OF GOD IN HISTORY TO DEAL WITH OUR SINS		<p>Source (3:21): "righteousness from God without the law is manifested"</p> <p>Means (3:22): "by faith in Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe"</p> <p>Outcome (3:24): "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus"</p>		THE INTERVENTION OF GOD IN HISTORY TO DEAL WITH SIN		<p>Objection from Liberalism (6:1-23): Should we sin to show just how great grace is? God forbid! <u>We are DEAD to SIN!</u></p> <p>Objection from Legalism (7:1-25): Are we bound to keep the law? No! We are DEAD to the LAW!</p> <p>Provision (8:1-39): How do we live the Christian life? In Christ we are alive in the Spirit!</p>	<p>Past (9:1-33): Election "To whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises" (9:3)</p> <p>Present (10:1-21): Rejection "All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people" (10:21)</p> <p>Future (11:1-36): Restoration "Blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved" (11:25-26)</p>	<p>Saints (12:1-21): "Which is your reasonable service (12:1)...Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us (12:6)"</p> <p>Submission (to Government) (13:1-14): "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers (13:1)...Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God."</p> <p>Submission (to your brother) (14:1-15:13): "but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother's way (14:13)...For even Christ pleased not Himself" (15:3)</p>	<p>Paul's purpose in writing to Rome (15:14-33): "For which cause also I have been much hindered from coming to you" (15:22)</p> <p>Paul's passion to visit Rome (15:23-33): "Having a great desire these many years to come unto you" (15:23)</p> <p>Paul's plea and final salutation (16:1-27): "I commend (16:1)...Greet (16:3)...salute (16:7)...Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions (16:17)</p>
KEY VERSE	<p>"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" (1:16)</p>		<p>"Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world become guilty before God." (3:19)</p>				<p>"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (5:1)</p>				<p>"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit" (8:1)</p>	<p>"And so all Israel shall be saved" (11:26)</p>	<p>"Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God" (12:1)</p>	<p>Now to Him that is of power to establish you...To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen" (16:25, 27)</p>
THREAD OF ARGUMENT	<p>The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to all that believe</p>		<p>Because the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men</p>				<p>But now...</p>				<p>A righteousness we require, is manifested from God, providing forgiveness of our sins and bringing reconciliation to God through faith in Jesus Christ</p>	<p>For this cause, as it was the case with Adam - one deliberate act made many unrighteous - so it is with Christ - one deliberate act has made many righteous unto eternal life</p>	<p>But super-abounding grace does not mean we should continue to sin, just as freedom from the law which showed sin up for what it is, does not mean that we should continue to keep the law, but in the Spirit we have the power to walk as dead to sin and the law, and alive to God</p>	<p>Salvation for the Gentiles through faith does not mean that Israel is finished, rather God has inflicted blindness in part until He has finished His work with the Gentiles</p>