

Romans 1 – Romans 4

Monday 8/14

Rom. 1:1-4, 8-15

1 Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus, a called apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,

2 Which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures,

3 Concerning His Son, who came out of the seed of David according to the flesh,

4 Who was designated the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness out of the resurrection of the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord;

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all because your faith is proclaimed throughout the whole world.

9 For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the gospel of His Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you always in my prayers,

10 Beseeching if by any means now at last I may be prospered in the will of God to come to you.

11 For I long to see you that I may impart to you some spiritual gift so that you may be established;

12 That is, that I with you may be encouraged among you through the faith which is in one another, both yours and mine.

13 And I do not want you to be ignorant, brothers, that often I purposed to come to you (yet was hindered until the present), that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among the rest of the Gentiles.

14 I am debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to wise and to foolish;

15 So, for my part, I am ready to announce the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 2, from II. up to (not including) III*

Tuesday 8/15

Rom. 1:16-25

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one who believes, both to Jew first and to Greek.

17 For the righteousness of God is revealed in it out of faith to faith, as it is written, "But the righteous shall have life and live by faith."

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven upon all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who hold down the truth in unrighteousness,

19 Because that which is known of God is manifest within them, for God manifested it to them.

20 For the invisible things of Him, both His eternal power and divine characteristics, have been clearly seen since the creation of the world, being perceived by the things made, so that they would be without excuse;

21 Because though they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God or thank Him, but rather became vain in their reasonings, and their heart, lacking understanding, was darkened.

22 Professing to be wise, they became fools

23 And changed the glory of the incorruptible God into the likeness of an image of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and reptiles.

24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to uncleanness, so that they dishonor their bodies among themselves,

25 Who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshipped and served the creation rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 57, from "Impossible for God to Change His mind" up to (not including) "Christ, the End of the Law Unto Righteousness"*

Wednesday 8/16

Rom. 2:1-4, 17-21, 28-29

1 Therefore you are without excuse, O every man who judges, for in what you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

2 But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth upon those who practice such things.

3 And do you consider this, O man, who judge those who practice such things and do the same yourself, that you will escape the judgment of God?

4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God's kindness is leading you to repentance?

17 But if you bear the name of Jew, and rest upon the law, and boast in God,

18 And know the will, and approve the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law,

19 And have confidence that you yourself are a guide to the blind, a light to those in darkness,

20 One who disciplines the foolish, a teacher of babes, having the proper form of the knowledge

and truth in the law;

21 You therefore who teach another, do you not teach yourself? You who preach not to steal, do you steal?

28 For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is circumcision that which is outward in the flesh.

29 But he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is of the heart, in spirit, not in letter, whose praise is not from men, but from God.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 3, from "A. The Way of Restriction" through the end*

Thursday 8/17

Rom. 3:9-20

9 What then? Are we better? Not at all! For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin,

10 Even as it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one;

11 There is none who understands, there is none who seeks out God.

12 All have turned aside; together they have become useless; there is none who does good; there is not so much as one.

13 Their throat is an opened grave; with their tongues they practiced deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips;

14 Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness.

15 Swift are their feet to shed blood,

16 Destruction and misery are in their ways,

17 And the way of peace they have not known.

18 There is no fear of God before their eyes."

19 Now we know that whatever things the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped and all the world may fall under the judgment of God;

20 Because out of the works of the law no flesh shall be justified before Him; for through the law is the clear knowledge of sin.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 5, from beginning up to (not including) II*

Friday 8/18

Rom. 3:21-31

21 But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been manifested, witness being borne to it by the Law and the Prophets;

22 Even the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ to all those who believe, for there is no distinction;

23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred,

26 With a view to the demonstrating of His righteousness in the present time, so that He might be righteous and the One who justifies him who is of the faith of Jesus.

27 Where then is boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, but through the law of faith.

28 For we account that a man is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

29 Or is He the God of the Jews only? Is He not of the Gentiles also? Yes, of the Gentiles also,

30 If indeed God is one, who will justify the circumcision out of faith and the uncircumcision through faith.

31 Do we then make the law of no effect through faith? Absolutely not! Rather, we establish the law.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 5, from II. up to (not including) III*

Saturday 8/19

Rom. 4:3, 7-13, 20-25

3 For what does the Scripture say? "And Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him as righteousness."

7 "Blessed are they whose lawlessnesses have been forgiven, and whose sins have been covered over.

8 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord shall by no means account sin."

9 Is this blessing then upon the circumcision only, or also upon the uncircumcision? For we say, Faith was accounted to Abraham as righteousness.

10 How then was it accounted? While he was in circumcision or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.

11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while in uncircumcision, that he might be the father of all those in uncircumcision who believe, that righteousness might be accounted to them also,

12 And the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had in uncircumcision.

13 For it was not through the law that the promise was made to Abraham or to his seed that he would be the heir of the world, but through the righteousness of faith.

20 But with regard to the promise of God, he did not doubt in unbelief, but was empowered by faith, giving glory to God

21 And being fully persuaded that what He had promised He was able also to do.

22 Therefore also it was accounted to him as righteousness.

23 Now it was not written for his sake only that it was accounted to him,

24 But for ours also to whom it is to be accounted, who believe on Him who has raised Jesus our Lord from the dead,

25 Who was delivered for our offenses and was raised for our justification.

Further Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 6, from II. up to (not including) IV*

Lord's Day 8/20

Gal. 2:16, 20

16 And knowing that a man is not justified out of works of law, but through faith in Jesus Christ, we also have believed into Christ Jesus that we might be justified out of faith in Christ and not out of the works of law, because out of the works of law no flesh will be justified.

20 I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Gal. 3:2-6, 22

2 This only I wish to learn from you, Did you receive the Spirit out of the works of law or out of the hearing of faith?

3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

4 Have you suffered so many things in vain, if indeed it was in vain?

5 He therefore who bountifully supplies to you the Spirit and does works of power among you, does He do it out of the works of law or out of the hearing of faith?

6 Even as "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."

22 But the Scripture has shut up all under sin in order that the promise out of faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

Gal. 5:6

6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision avails anything nor uncircumcision, but faith avails, operating through love.

Eph. 3:12

12 In whom we have boldness and access in confidence through faith in Him.

Phil. 3:9

9 And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,

Heb. 12:2

2 Looking away unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.

Hymns, #30

Further Reading:

Life-study of Romans, msg. 53

Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans

Level 1—Romans Sequential Study

Scripture: *Rom. 3:1-20*

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 33-34*

Level 2—Romans Topical Study

Crucial Point: *Our Interceding Christ*

Scripture: *Rom. 8:26-27, 34*

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msg. 19*

Supplemental Reading: *The Prayer Ministry of the Church, chs. 1, 4-5*

Hymn: 201

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