

ROMANS
CHAPTER 1
INTRODUCTION

Vs 1 No one else is mentioned with Paul as a participant in the Writing. (Silas, Timothy, etc.) Ephesians is another case. (1 & 2 Timothy and Titus were written to individuals and thus from Paul alone).

“Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles” Gal 2:7-9

BONDSERVANT of Jesus Christ.

It might be said that Paul became a bondservant before He became an Apostle.

Acts 9:5-6

All believers are called bondservants

By Jesus.

Rev 1:1

CALLED as an apostle or “apostle by calling”

Calling – set apart by an action of God to a special place and manner of being always with a corresponding responsibility.

NOTE:.....Rom 1:6-7

Rom 8:28,30

1Cor 1:2,24

Jude 1:1

Rev 17:14

Rom 11:29

We were chosen from eternity past. Eph 1:4

We received God’s call in time. Rom 8:30;

Jn 6:44

All that the Father gave the Son in eternity past will respond to His call, be saved, and be complete on that Last Day.

Jn 6:37-40

SET APART for the Gospel of God Gal 1:15-16
God's Good News:

◆ It was God who loved the world,
not the world loving Him. Jn 3:16

◆ It was God who gave His Son
for them. Rom 5:6-8

◆ It is God who is seeking out the lost,
not them seeking Him. 1 Jn 4:10

◆ Once saved, nothing can separate
us from that love of God. Rom 8:31-39

Vs 2 This Gospel was promised beforehand.
Through His prophets Rom 3:21
Heb 1:1-2
1 Pet 1:10-12

In the Holy Scriptures 2 Pet 1:20
Jesus quoted the Old Testament as authoritative
and stated "and the Scripture cannot be broken"
(Jn 10:35) or "the scriptures must be fulfilled."
(Mk 14:49)

NOTE: Rom 13:1-2 God makes the scripture
authoritative, not man's handling of them.

Vs 3-4 "Concerning His Son" – The Gospel of God
concerns the Son of God. 1 Cor 15-6ff,
esp. vs 3-4

"BORN a descendant of David
according to the flesh" Heb 2:14-17
2 Sam 7:12-17

"DECLARED the Son of God by the
resurrection from the Dead." (He did not
become the Son of God – He was.

Jn 1:1,14)

Acts 2:22-24
Heb 1:5 with
Acts 13:28-39

“OUR LORD”

Acts 2: 36;
Acts10: 34-36

Vs 5

We have received grace, both in:

- ◆ Our Salvation
- ◆ Our Opportunity for Reward

- ◆ The Goal – “bring about the obedience of faith”

Eph 2:4-9
Eph 2:10
1 Cor 15:9-11

Jas 2:14-26

Vs 6

Among all the Gentiles (vs 5) you are the CALLED. (See Above)

Vs 7

The Recipients – believers in Rome Beloved of God

1 Jn 3:1-2a
Rom 5:6-10

“Saints by Calling”

- ◆ Grace to you
- ◆ Peace from God
- ◆ Mercy

Heb 4:16
Jn 14:27a

These 3 words describe God’s desire for every believer in every Epistle.

Vs 8-10

Paul made a point of finding that which he could thank God for in the lives of fellow believers.

Phil 4:8

He prayed “unceasingly” for those he thought about.

- Vs 11 Paul's desire was to use his gift for the benefit of the Romans. 1Cor 12:7
- As an Apostle, he had a clearly defined "obligation". Eph 4:11-16
- Vs 12 That is – mutual growth and edification 1 Jn 1:4
- Vs 13 Amplified in Rom 15:18-29
Obtaining fruit is what Christianity is all about. Jn 15:1-6
- Vs 14-15 Paul was under obligation – a debtor to all - the cultured and the wild; the undisciplined, the wise and the foolish. Paul was driven. 2 Cor 5:14-21
He was "eager" to preach – the Gospel
- Vs 16-17 The THEME of the Book of Romans
The Gospel 1 Cor 15:1-5
The Power of God for Salvation 1 Cor 1:18-24
To Everyone Acts 4:12
Who Believes 1 Jn 5:9-13
- To the Jew First
◆ The message was presented to them 1st.
- And also to the Greek
◆ He included us too Rom 11:11-32
In it the Righteousness of God is Revealed
◆ God's righteousness Rom 3:21-26
◆ A righteousness that is shared with

Us – Imparted Righteousness

2 Cor 5:21

From Faith to Faith

- ◆ Faith from start to finish
- ◆ The righteous man shall live
(continues to live) by faith

Rom 9:30-10:4

Gal 3:1-3

UNIVERSAL DEPRAVITY – THE BASIS FOR UNIVERSAL CONDEMNATION

Vs 18 The wrath of God is against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men-men who suppress the Truth.

Vs 19 BECAUSE – the righteous basis for God’s wrath to come

Vs 20 FOR – God’s presence is clearly seen in what has been made
God’s assessment – all men are without excuse – NATURAL REVELATION

Vs 21 FOR (they are without excuse)
This truth applies to man from an historical context and with men in their individual lives.

- ◆ They ceased giving thanks to God
- ◆ They became futile in their speculations
- ◆ Their foolish heart is darkened

Vs 22 Natural man in his normal, fallen state

Vs 23 Belief moves on to Action
Exchange the incorruptible God for the

Profoundly immoral; associated with demonic forces

- ◆ Envy
A feeling of resentful longing aroused by someone else's possessions, qualities
- ◆ Murder
Destroying the body

- ◆ Strife
Angry or bitter disagreement, conflict
- ◆ Deceit
The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth
- ◆ Malice
The Intention or desire to do evil; ill will

Vs 29-31 Men are by nature:

- ◆ Gossips
Unconstrained conversations about other people, typically involving details that are not confirmed as being true

- ◆ Slanderers
Ones who make false statements, damaging to another's reputation
- ◆ Haters of God

- ◆ Insolent
A rude and arrogant lack of respect
- ◆ Arrogant
Having or revealing an exaggerated sense of one's own importance
- ◆ Boastful
Showing excessive pride and self-satisfaction in one's achievements, possessions, or abilities

- ◆ Inventors of evil
- ◆ Disobedient to parents
- ◆ Without understanding

- ◆ Untrustworthy
Not able to be relied upon as honest or truthful
- ◆ Unloving
Demonstrating no feeling and showing no care
- ◆ Unmerciful
No response when someone else is in need of relief from something unpleasant

Vs 32

To top it all off:

This represents what God sees when He looks at lost humanity.

These are the people whom God continued to love by sending His Son to die for them.