



When In Rome: The mystery unveiled

an overview of Paul's letter to the Romans

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The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them.

Romans 1:18-19

So when you, a mere human being, pass judgement on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgement?

Romans 2:3

Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

Romans 3:20

This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:22-23

If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about – but not before God. What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.

Romans 4:2-3

David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works.

Romans 4:6

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.

Romans 5:1-2

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Romans 5:19

What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase?

Romans 6:1

So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God.

Romans 7:4

I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do.

Romans 7:15

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-39

Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.

Romans 10:1

I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, and in this way all Israel will be saved.

Romans 11:25-26

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – His good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12:1-2

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13:8

Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Romans 13:14

Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarrelling over disputable matters.

Romans 14:1

We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up.

Romans 15:1-2

I urge you, brothers and sisters, to watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them.

Romans 16:17

Now to Him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel... to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.

Romans 16:25,27

Your notes

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Reflect on your journey to discovering the truth of the gospel. When did this happen for you? What was your biggest barrier in comprehending this great truth?
2. How is your life “set apart” for the gospel? In other words, how is your life visibly different than the world around you? How has God changed your values? Schedule? Priorities? Social life?