

A Study of the Epistles of Paul

NT Survey Lesson 110--Romans 1

Introduction: In Romans, Paul explores the great theme of justification by faith through the gospel. Paul declares in chapter one what is the keynote of his treatise--"I am not ashamed of the gospel for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also the Greek". Upon making that declaration Paul immediately proceeds to show why the gospel is needed--because God's wrath is revealed against sinners.

Lesson aim: To explore the theme of Romans and begin the discussion of why men need the gospel.

Paul's greeting and introduction--Rom. 1:1-7

1. In what three ways does Paul describe himself? (v. 1)
2. How had the gospel been promised? (v. 2)
3. How does Paul describe Jesus according to the flesh? (v. 3) How was Jesus proven to be the Son of God? (v. 4)
4. What had Paul received from Christ? (v. 5) For what purpose?

Paul expresses his gratitude for the Romans and his desire preach in Rome--Rom. 1:8-15

1. For what did Paul give thanks? (v. 8) What had Paul been praying that he could do?(v. 9-10) For what purpose?
2. What three "I am's" express Paul's attitude toward the preaching of the gospel? (v. 14-16)

The gospel is God's power to save those under His wrath--Rom. 1:16-32

1. What did Paul say the gospel was? (v. 16) For whom does this power work to salvation?
2. What is revealed in the gospel? (v. 17) It is a righteousness by what? What response does it call for in man? What O.T. passage taught this?
3. What does Paul say was revealed from heaven? (v. 18) Against what is it revealed? Men who are wicked do what to the truth?
4. Can man know the truth about God's existence? (v. 19) How? (v. 20) What can be known about God this way?
5. What did the people Paul describes refuse to do? (v. 21) What did they do instead?
6. Since these people rejected the truth, what did God do? What was the result of this? (v. 24)
7. What sin does Paul describe in v. 26-27? What were the consequences of practicing this sin?
8. Make a list and briefly define the sins Paul says these people who rejected God practiced.
9. Of what did Paul say such sinners are worthy? (v. 32) To whom did these people give their approval?