

THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS: THE GOSPEL OF GOD

Jack Rendel

Introduction

Welcome to the study of this book, or letter, of the Bible! For the time being we offer you the table of contents (outline). In order, to gain the most from this material, print out and keep a copy of this table near you and refer to it as you read the gospel.

Originally the Scriptures were not written with chapters and verses. These divisions were added later. Sometimes the divisions by chapter and verse are somewhat arbitrary. They do not always follow the “natural” pattern of the book. Here we offer an effort in which we try to keep in mind the theological, thematic and literary emphases of the Bible book. Of course, this work is not perfect but at the same time I hope the material will help you in your personal Bible study as well as in the preparation of group studies, messages and conferences.

Quoted portions are from the NIV.

I. THE GOSPEL OF GOD 1:1-1:17

“Paul ... *set apart* for the **gospel**” 1:1

Promised beforehand

Regarding **his** Son

The **gospel** “To all In Rome ...” 1:7

Loved by **God** (But which god?)

Called to be saints

From **God**, our Father

I thank **God** for you 1:8

What Paul can do from a distance

“I long to see you ...” 1:11

What Paul can do for them and ...

... they for him when they are together

I am obligated to Greeks and non-Greeks 1:14

Paul, eager to preach the **gospel** to all

“I am *not ashamed* of the **gospel** ...” 1:16

II. THE WRATH OF GOD 1:18 - 3:20

Wrath because man *suppressed* the truth about God 1:18

Wrath because man *rejected* the glory of God 1:21

Under God’s **wrath** man *declines* spiritually and morally 1:24

Under God’s **wrath** man is *given over* to sexual impurity

because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and

worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator.

Under God’s **wrath** man is *given over* to shameful lusts.

Under God’s **wrath** man is *given over* to a depraved mind.

The *just judgment* of God’s **wrath** 2:1

The *Jews* and the *law* under God’s **wrath** 2:17

God’s *faithfulness* and God’s **wrath** 3:1

No one is righteous, deserving God’s **wrath** 3:9

THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS: THE GOSPEL OF GOD

Jack Rendel

All under God's **wrath** and *accountable* to him and *conscious* of sin 3:19, 20

III. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD 3:21 - 8:39

Righteousness by *faith* in Jesus Christ 3:21-31
Righteousness *credited* to Abraham ("credited" 4:3, 23, 24) 4:1 -25
Grace through **righteousness** (5:21) 5:1 -21
Slaves of **righteousness** 6:1 -23
A law of **righteousness** 7:1 -25
Righteousness in the *Spirit* (8:4) 8:1 -39

IV. THE CHILDREN OF GOD 9:1 -11:36 (9:8)

Call the **children!** 9:1 -29
Save the **children!** 9:30-10:21
Restore the **children!** 11:1-36

V. THE WILL OF GOD 12:1 - 15:13 (12:2)

God's will in *your body* (12:1) 12:1,2
God's will in *the body (church)* (12:5) 12:3-8
God's will with *everybody (world)* (12:17) 12:9-21
God's will under *government* (13:1) 13:1-7
God's will with your *neighbor* (13:8) 13:8-14
God's will for *the weak and the strong* 14:1-15:6
God's will for Christ as servant to the circumcision and Paul to the Gentiles 15:7-13

VI. THE GOSPEL OF GOD 15:14 - 16:27 (15:16)

A Reminder of the **gospel!** (15:15) 15:14-16
Preaching the **gospel** Fully! (15:19) 15:17-22
Service in the **gospel** (15:25) 15:23-29
Struggle in the **gospel** (15:30) 15:30-33
Greetings in the **gospel** 16:1-24
Glory to the *God* of the **gospel** 16:25-27

Revisions: 5-9-95, 22 September 1995, 19 November 2008, 5 August 2009, May 2013,
23 February 2015, 19 July 2017