

**Book of the Bible: Romans**  
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**BACKGROUND:** Romans is a theological treatise written by Paul to the to the home churches in Rome. Paul had not yet been to Rome but in the letter talks about plans to go there and then maybe on to Spain. He finally ends up there as a prisoner and after a few years is killed.

**KEY VERSE**

"I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." Romans 1:16

**THE ROMAN ROAD**

**1. The Total Depravity of the Human Race**

"None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks God. All have turned aside...No one does good, not even one."

Romans 3:10-12

**2. Salvation by Grace through Faith in Jesus' Righteousness.**

"Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. Romans 5:1-2

"The free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord." 6:23

"There is...now no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus." 8:1

"The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs." Romans 8:16

**The Fruit of Salvation:**

"Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God."

Romans 12:1

"Love your neighbor as yourself." Romans 13:9

"Let each of us please his neighbor for his good." Romans 15:2

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." 12:12-13

**A Few People that Romans Has Influenced:**

Augustine (300s AD) Romans 13:13-14  
Martin Luther (1500 AD) Romans 1:17  
John Wesley (1700s AD) Luther's introduction to Romans  
Pastor Kent Romans 8:1

**TAKEAWAYS:**

1. Repent and believe in Jesus Christ today (for those not yet in Christ).
2. Walk in the righteousness Jesus has given you (if in Christ).

## **Jesus in the Apostles**

# **PAUL'S LETTERS TO THE CHURCHES**

## **Epistles**

*"Stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter."*

— 2 Thessalonians 2:15

Paul worked as a tent-maker during much of his missionary work, supplementing the gifts he received from various churches.

### **ROMANS: Salvation**

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### **1 CORINTHIANS: Sanctification**

*"Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God: You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies." — 1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

### **2 CORINTHIANS: Stewardship**

*"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously ... God loves a cheerful giver." — 2 Corinthians 9:6, 7b*

### **GALATIANS: Set Free**

*"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." — Galatians 5:1*

### **EPHESIANS: Sit, Walk, Stand**

*"God ... has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ." — Ephesians 1:3*

### **COLOSSIANS: Sovereignty**

*"For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form" — Colossians 2:9*

### **1 THESSALONIANS: Second Coming**

*"Wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath." — 1 Thessalonians 1:10*

### **2 THESSALONIANS: Second Coming**

#### **Part 2**

*"Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers and sisters, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed."*

— 2 Thessalonians 2:1-2 a