

## Bible Overview – Session Twelve – Book of Romans

- Written by Paul
- Written in Corinth 57 or 58 A.D.
- Written to “believers” not the unsaved.
- Primary emphasis is “instruction” in God Divine Plan for Redemption.

Jesis did not come to make “bad” people “good” but to make “dead” people “alive.” (Luke 15)

### Overview

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| • Doctrine       | Faith | Chapters 1-8   |
| • Dispensational | Hope  | Chapters 9-11  |
| • Practical      | Love  | Chapters 12-16 |

### Doctrine

- Chapter 1:1-32                      Pagan Man – no excuse
  - Suppress God’s truth.
  - Ignore God’s revelation.
  - Pervert God’s glory.
  - Given over to sexual idolatry.
  - Given over to immorality.
  - Given over to perversion (homosexuality).
  - Given over to depravity – reprobate mind.
- Chapter 2:1-16                      Moral Man
- Chapter 2: 17-29                  Religious Man
- Chapter 3:23                      All have fallen sinned and fallen short.
- Chapter 4                          Faith of Abraham
  - Faith not works makes one right with God.
  - Abraham believed and was counted righteous.
- Chapter 5                          Justification
  - While we were sinners Christ died for us.
  - We are Justified by faith and have peace with God.
  - In Adam all die    In Christ all live
  - In Adam all condemned                                      In Christ all Justified
  - In Adam all made sinners                                      In Christ all made Righteous
- Chapter 6                          Sanctification
- Chapter 7                          The Law Condemns us.
- Chapter 8                          Victory in Jesus alone.
  - No condemnation if you are in Christ.
  - Deliverance from the flesh through the Holy Spirit.
  - Perseverance through all suffering by the power of the Holy Spirit.
  - All things work together for good for those that love God.
  - Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

### Dispensation – What About the Jews?

- Chapter 9 – Israel’s Past
  - They received God’s word.
  - They received the Shekinah Glory of God.
  - They received the covenants of God.
  - They received the Law of God.
  - They received the worship of God – Temple
  - They received the promises of God.
  - Through them came forth the Messiah
- Chapter 10 – Israel’s Present
  - They seek to establish their righteousness.
  - They have zeal for righteousness but are ignorant of the way.
  - They need to hear – VS 14
  - They need to believe – VS 9-10
  - Faith comes by hearing – VS 17
- Chapter 11 – Israel’s Future
  - God has not rejected Israel. VS 1-2
  - Their failure has produced salvation for the Gentiles. VS 11
  - They were broken off from the natural vine.
  - Gentiles were grafted into the vine (a wild branch).
  - Israel will be grafted back into the true vine.
  - All Israel will be saved.
  - Today a partial hardening until the fulness of the gentiles comes in.

## **Practical**

- Chapter 12 Responsibility from Gifts
  - Renewal of your mind.
  - Listing of numerous gifts – also Eph 4, 1 Cor. 12
  - Motivation is always love.
  - Humility is highly esteemed.
  - Allow God regarding revenge (vengeance is mine says the Lord).
- Chapter 13 Civil Responsibility
  - Submission to civil authority as all authority comes from God.
  - Pay your taxes.
- Chapter 14 Maturity in Christ
  - Be sensitive to the weaker brother regarding food, drink, religious observance.
  - Avoid judging others.
  - Pursue peace, do not tear one another down over preferences.
  - Whatever is not from faith is “sin.” RoVS 23
- Chapter 15 Unity in the Body.
  - Self-denial for the sake of unity was demonstrated by Christ. Came to serve.
  - Try to edify your neighbor, not yourself.
- Chapter 16 Personal Greetings – 33 different names are references.