

Humanity's Need for the Gospel

Romans 1:1-17

Lesson 1 Questions

First Day: Read the Introduction Lesson Notes.

The notes and lecture fortify the truth of the passage for understanding and application to daily life.

1. What stands out to you in the notes regarding Paul's letter to the believers in Rome?
2. How did the lecture challenge or encourage you as you embark on your study of Romans?

Second Day: Read Romans 1:1-7.

God called Paul to present the gospel to Roman believers.

3. a. How did Paul describe himself to the believers in Rome?
- b. What additional information about Paul do you find in Acts 9:20-22 and 1 Timothy 1:12-16?
4. a. The word "gospel" means "good news." What good news is proclaimed in these verses, and why is it good?
- b. How have you experienced this good news?
5. a. In what ways did Paul encourage and uphold the Christians in Rome?
- b. How might this encouragement impact your interactions with other believers?

Third Day: Read Romans 1:8-10.

Paul thanked God for the believers in Rome.

6. Why was Paul thankful for the believers in Rome?
7. a. What did Paul pray for specifically, and how did God answer his prayer? (See also Acts

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21:33-34;
22:25-29; 28:14-16.)

- b. What do these verses teach about the relationship between serving God and prayer?
- 8. How do Paul's prayers encourage you to pray, and for whom or what will you pray?

Fourth Day: Read Romans 1:11-15.

Paul longed to visit the believers in Rome.

- 9. Why did Paul want to visit Rome, and what might have kept him away?
- 10. How might Paul's experience offer encouragement when you encounter obstacles when serving God? (See also Acts 28:11-16.)
- 11. a. Describe Paul's obligation to all people and his attitude toward his obligation. (See also Acts 26:11-20.)
- b. How does the call to share your knowledge about Jesus with others impact your life?

Fifth Day: Read Romans 1:16-17.

Paul emphatically stated the gospel's worth.

- 12. Give reasons for Paul's unashamed confidence in the gospel of Christ.
- 13. In what situations might you find yourself tempted to be ashamed of the gospel? How do Paul's words strengthen or encourage you?
- 14. a. How are verses 16 and 17 a part of Paul's personal testimony? (See also Philippians 3:4-9.)
- b. Describe how verses 16 and 17 may relate to your experience of the gospel. What word or phrase stands out to you or is a part of your personal testimony?

Sixth Day: Review Romans 1:1-17.

God reveals His saving power for all people through the gospel.

- 15. What power do you find in the gospel of Christ? How do the truths in this passage empower you to unashamedly share this good news with others?

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