## TEXT: ROMANS 1:16 (Theme of the Book)

## INTRO:

- Series of Arguments Saying the Gentiles (Greeks) are just as Acceptable as the Jewish Christians
   Where does Salvation come through the Promise to Abraham or Law of Moses?
- 2. Deep Book
  - a. Parts can be hard to understand
  - b. Lost in Details
- 3. Romans is Abused/Misunderstood
  - a. Taken of Out of Context False Ideas are Taught
    - 1. Calvinism Nothing Good in a Person or Inherit Adam's Sin (3:10-18 & 5:12)
    - 2. Salvation Just Confess Alone (10:9-10)
    - 3. Romans 14 used to Justify Sin Context is Christian Liberties in Christ
- 4. Setting the Context
  - a. Written to Christians by a Christian Romans 1:1, 7
    - 1. Implications?
  - b. The Law often means "The LAW of MOSES"
  - c. "Jews 1<sup>st</sup> and also the Greek" (Gentiles)
  - d. Series of Arguments Saying the Gentiles (Greeks) are just as Acceptable as the Jewish Christians
    - 1. Where does Salvation come through the Promise to Abraham or Law of Moses?
      - a. Genesis 12:3 All Nations
      - b. Jeremiah 31:31-34 Change in Covenant
    - 2. Faith Gives Access to this Promise (Eternal Life)

# <u>CHAPTER 1</u>

- 1. GOSPEL IS FOR EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES 1:1-7
- 2. Wants to come to them 1:8-15
- 3. The Gospel (bible) is where it is revealed 1:16
- I. THE PROBLEM: ALL SIN & JUSTLY CONDEMNED 1:18 3:18
  - A. All Should know God 18-23
  - B. God Gave up on Men who Rejected God 1:24 -25
  - C. God will judge all according to Truth & what One Does Per The GOSPEL 2:2-16
    1. Gentiles Tended to Do the things contained in the Law 2:14
  - D. Jews Fail to Obey the Law of Moses 2:17-3:8
  - E. Jew are Not Better than Gentiles (Greeks) 3:9-20
    - 1. Both are under Sin (All) 3:9

# II. REMEDY FOR SIN: THE GOSPEL 3:21-5:21

- A. Gospel was Witnessed by Law & Prophets 3:21-22 (1:2)
- B. Both Jew & Gentile have Sinned 3:23
- C. Man is justified by Faith (Not by Law alone) 3:28-31
  - 1. Abraham was Righteousness was by Faith 4:1-25
  - 2. The Promise to Abraham was not thru Law of Moses **4:13** (Galatian 3, Acts 3 Gospel Beforehand)
  - 3. Abraham is an example of Faith 4:9-25
    - a. We need to have a Faith Like Abraham 4:23-25
    - b. Receive Inheritance by Faith 5:1-2
- D. God Made this Salvation Possible by Christ's Death 5:6-11
- E. Salvation is Possible because Grace of God is Stronger than Sin **5:12-21**

#### III. THE NEW LIFE IN CHRIST - Chapter 6-8

- A. Because of Christ's sacrifice We need to Repent 6:1-14
  - 1. Can't Be Slaves of Sin 6:6-14
  - 2. Christians need to be Slaves of Righteousness 6:15-23
- B. Slaves of Righteousness = Eternal Life 6:22-23
- C. Jews are Dead to Law of Moses 7:1-6 (Jeremiah 31:31-34)
- D. Law of Moses Had Value 7:7-16
- E. Paul Struggles with Sin (lust of the flesh vs. Spirit (Mind) 7:17-25
- F. If in Christ NO Condemnation 8:1-11
  - 1. Walk according to Christ 8:1
  - 2. Christians are debtors to Follow Christ 8:12-17
  - 3. God assures us of this victory 8:18-39

#### IV. THE GOSPEL AS IT RELATES TO ISRAEL - CHAPTER 9-11

- A. True Children of Promise **9:1-33** (as promised thru Abraham) 1. Seek it by Faith Not Thru Law of Moses
- B. Israel Rejected Salvation thru Christ 10:1-21
  1. Israel should have known this 10:18-21
- C. God Didn't Cast Away His People but Saved Them Through Faith 11:1-36
  - 1. Faith **11:20**
  - 2. Life Needs to be a Living Sacrifice **12:1-2**

### V. <u>APPLICATION OF LAW OF CHRIST</u> - 12:1-15:7

- A. Christian Obligations to the Church 12:3-16
- B. Vengeance Belongs to God 12:17-21
- C. Christian Responsibility to Civil Government 13:1-7
- D. Responsibility to Neighbors 13:8-14
- E. Christian Liberties 14:1-15:7

#### VI. CHRIST MINISTERS TO BOTH JEW & GENTILE - 15:8-33

- A. Paul is a Minister to the Gentiles 14-21
- B. Paul has been hindered to see the Jewish Christians in Rome 22-33
- VII. Greetings & Final Exhortation 16:1-27
  - A. Help Phoebe **1-2**
  - B. Greet Many 3-16 & 21-23
  - C. Warning About False Teachers 17-18
  - D. Gospel Made Known to All 26
    - 1. For the Obedience to the Faith 26 (1:5, 6:16, 6:19)