

ROMANS SURVEY

A complete summary

1. Romans Survey

- a. A book on salvation, righteousness, the gospel of Christ, Paul's gospel.
- b. Read it, again and again. Know it frontwards and backwards.
- c. Memorization is not hard when you spend time with something.
 - i. Look for Christ in every chapter.
 - ii. Look for righteousness in every chapter.
 - iii. Follow the logic –“therefore”– Rom 2:1, 2:21, 26; 3:20, 3:28, 4:16, 4:22, 5:1...
 - iv. 3 sections – 1-8 (gospel/justification), 9-11 (Israel), 12-16 (instruction)

2. Rom 1-8 - The Righteousness of God in the Gospel of Grace

- a. Paul makes himself known as an apostle of God preaching Jesus Christ to all
- b. Rom 1:15-17 – He is ready to preach the gospel of Christ: righteousness, faith, etc.
- c. 1 – The wrath of God revealed, all without excuse – Rom 1:24, 26,28
- d. 2 – God's righteous judgment under the law, the failure of the circumcision
- e. 3 – No man righteous by works; the righteousness of God to justify by faith
- f. 4 – The imputation of righteousness by faith witnessed by the law and prophets
- g. 5 – The riches of God's grace; Adam and Christ; the reign of grace
- h. **Identity doctrines** - 2 Cor 5:21 – we are made the righteousness of God in him
- i. 6 – Baptized into Christ: dead unto sin, and alive unto God – Rom 6:4
 - i. Our position as servants of righteousness – Rom 6:18
- j. 7 – Delivered from the law; the law is good, but we are carnal – Rom 7:6
- k. 8 – Walking in new life after the Spirit; our hope of glory; our access to all things

3. Rom 9-11 - God's Righteousness to Israel in Keeping His Promises

- a. 9 – The election of God, God's righteousness, a promised remnant
- b. 10 – Israel's rejection of God's righteousness, spoken by Moses and the prophets
- c. 11 – The remnant of Israel, their partial blindness, the salvation that must follow

4. Rom 12-16 - Instructions in Righteousness to all at Rome

- a. 12 – Behavior toward members of the body/other men – Rom 12:4-5, 12:9
- b. 13 – Behavior toward higher powers – Rom 12:19, 13:4; Rom 13:1 & 13:7-8
- c. 14 – Behavior toward the weaker brother – Rom 14:1, 14:9-10, 14:12-13
- d. 15 – Instructions toward the remnant – Rom 15:1, 15:4, 15:8, 15:15-20, 15:27
- e. 16 – Behavior toward teachers – Rom 16:2, 17-18
- f. Rom 16:25-27 – Glory to God by the preaching of Jesus Christ according to the revelation of the mystery

"It is the true masterpiece of the New Testament, and the very purest Gospel, which is well worth and deserving that a Christian man should not only learn it by heart, word for word, but also that he should daily deal with it as the daily bread of men's souls. For it can never be too much or too well read or studied; and the more it is handled the more precious it becomes, and the better it tastes."

- *Martin Luther*

“Many have but a hazy view of justification and have little or no knowledge of a settled peace with God and lack the assurance of salvation. They are constantly striving to be something and to attain something, which God in infinite grace has already supplied in the Gospel of His Son. And the ignorance about deliverance from the power of indwelling sin! Most Christians live constantly in the experience of the wretched man in chapter 7:15-24.”

- *A.C Gaebelien*