

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

PAUL'S FULLEST EXPLANATION OF THE GOSPEL, THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS' LIFE, DEATH, & RESURRECTION

SAUL OF TARSUS, A PHARISEE
PAUL APOSTLE TO THE GENTILES
OFFICIAL REP. OF JESUS
 PHOENIX
 TORAH = TRADITION
 SACRILEGIOUS
 OCCASIONALLY WROTE LETTERS

THE GOSPEL... 1-4 ...REVEALS GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS

1-17 THE GOSPEL
 IS GOD'S POWER TO SAVE PEOPLE!
 REVEALS GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS
 THE RISEN JESUS IS KING OF THE NATIONS

① HE ALWAYS DOES WHAT IS JUST & RIGHT.
 ② HE IS FAITHFUL TO HIS PROMISES

1-10-32 ALL NATIONS ARE TRAPPED
 SIN IDOLATRY
GUILTY!

11-30 ISRAEL IS TRAPPED TOO!
 SIN IDOLATRY
MORE GUILTY!

3-7-20 BUT... GOOD NEWS! ...SO WE COULD BECOME WHAT HE IS.
JESUS BECAME WHAT WE ARE...
TRAPPED & GUILTY

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH TO DECLARE RIGHTEOUS
 NEW STATUS: RIGHT WITH GOD & FORGIVEN
 NEW FAMILY: INCLUDED IN GOD'S PEOPLE
 NEW FUTURE: TRANSFORMED LIFE
"IN CHRIST"

1 WHO IS IN GOD'S COVENANT FAMILY?
 ALL NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED THROUGH YOU & YOUR OFFSPRING
 DECLARED RIGHTEOUS BY HIS FAITH IN GOD'S PROMISE (GENESIS 15:6)
 ABRAHAM
 THOSE WHO HAVE FAITH IN THE ONE WHO FULFILLED GOD'S PROMISE

5-8 ...CREATES A NEW HUMANITY
 THE CHURCH OF ROME (SEE ACTS 18:1-2)
 EMPEROR CLAUDIUS
 NON-JEWISH JEWS
 JESUS EXPULSED
 5 YEARS LATER
 WE ARE FREE IN CHRIST!
 @#%&*!!
 BLASPHEMY!!
 YOU MUST EAT KOSHER!
 YOU NEED TO BE UNIFIED!
 I WANT YOU TO BE UNIFIED!
 GENTILE CHRISTIANS JEWISH CHRISTIANS

5 SIN ADAM "HUMANITY"
6 JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH CREATES NEW HUMANITY
 SLAVERY
 GOD'S JUDGMENT
 DEATH
 LEAVE THIS HUMANITY!
 LOVE
 LIFE
 OBEEDIENCE
 THE NEW ADAM
 "IN CHRIST"
 WE ARE JOINED TO JESUS
 WHAT'S TRUE OF HIM IS TRUE OF US
 LIBERATED TO LOVE GOD & NEIGHBOR

7 WHAT WAS THE POINT OF THE LAW?
 THE STORY OF THE TORAH (TORAH)
 THE 613 COMMANDS GIVEN TO MOSES
 GOD & SHOW GOD'S WILL
 DON'T LIE
 DON'T STEAL
 DON'T COMMIT
 THE PARADOX IS THE POINT!
 MORE GUILTY!
 THE SOLUTION: JESUS & THE SPIRIT
 MESSIAH
 LAWS OBSOLETE
 REMOVED (LITRATED)
 LIBERATED TO LOVE GOD & NEIGHBOR

9-11 ...FULFILLS GOD'S PROMISE TO ISRAEL

9 ISRAEL IN THE PAST
 ETHNIC ISRAEL ≠ COVENANT MEMBER
 GOD SELECTED A SUBSET OF THE FAMILY
 MY PEOPLE, ISRAEL!!
 THE GOLDEN CALF
 PHARAOH'S REBELLION
 PEOPLE'S REJECTION ACCOMPLISHES GOD'S PURPOSES
 JESUS RESISTOR JESUS FOLLOWER

10 ISRAEL IN THE PRESENT
 COVENANT RELATIONSHIP BASED ON LAWS
 NEW COVENANT FAMILY BASED ON FAITH

11 ISRAEL IN THE FUTURE
 IS GOD DONE WITH ISRAEL?
 A: NO!
 JEWISH & GENTILE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS
 MULTI-ETHNIC FAMILY
 REJECTORS OF JESUS
 ONE DAY JESUS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIS PEOPLE.
 SOME GRANTED ON SOME BROKEN OFF

SUMMARY OF CHS 1-4

- 1 ALL HUMANITY IS TRAPPED IN SIN & NEEDS TO BE RESCUED
- 2 RESCUE WON'T HAPPEN BY TRYING TO OBEY THE LAWS OF THE TORAH
- 3 GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS HAS RESCUED THE WORLD THROUGH JESUS...
- 4 ...TO CREATE THE FAITH-BASED, MULTI-ETHNIC FAMILY OF ABRAHAM

12-16 ...UNIFIES THE CHURCH

12-13 UNIFYING THROUGH LOVE & FORGIVENESS
 SERVING ONE ANOTHER HUMILITY & FORGIVENESS
 LOVE fulfills the TORAH
 I'M SORRY... I'VE BEEN A SINNER.

14-15 SHOW GRACE TO EACH OTHER ON NON-ESSENTIAL ISSUES
 HEALING ETHNIC DIVISION
 GENTILE JEWISH

16 HONOR PHOEBE! ...SHE'S LEGIT!
 SAY HI TO THE GANG!
 ROMANS