

First Baptist Church – Through the Bible with BibleProject 2026

Romans

- What changes for Saul of Tarsus after meeting Jesus?
- Why does he write these letters?
- What is the ethnic makeup of the church in Rome?
- How did Claudius' edict change the dynamics of the church?
- What were some of Paul's big goals in writing this letter?
- What is so special about this letter of Paul's as it relates to the Gospel?

Romans 1-4: The Gospel Reveals God's Righteousness

- What is the core content of Gospel?
- How is Humanity meant to respond?
- What does the Gospel do?
- What does Righteousness mean? – What does this tell us about God?

Romans: 1:18-32 - The guilt of the nations

- Where have the nations gone wrong?

Romans 2:1-3:8 – the guilt of Israel

- What benefits does Israel have?
- Why is Israel's also guilty?

Romans 3:9-26 – but...Good News!

- What then do both the nations and the people of Israel have in common?
- How is Jesus God's response to this reality?
- What is the purpose of Jesus becoming what we are (human)?
- What does Justification mean?
 - o What is new for us when we are justified by faith?
 - o How does that affect our lives?
- What does it mean to be "in Christ"

Romans 4 – Who is in God's Covenant Family?

- How is it that Abraham is declared righteous before knowing the Law?
- How is God's promise to Abraham being fulfilled in Jesus?

What are the four main points of Romans 1-4?

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Romans 5-8: The Gospel Creates A New Humanity

- Why does it matter that Adam's name literally means 'human/humanity'?
- What is the contrast between this first Adam and Jesus as the new Adam?
- What choice and reality does Baptism represent?
- How does being 'In Jesus' allow us to fulfill the Great Commandment?
- If this was God's plan all along, what was the point of the Torah (OT) laws?
- What does the story of Israel reflect about God's laws?
- Does Israel's experience with the law sound familiar to our own lives?
- How are Jesus and the Holy Spirit the solution to this paradox?
- What is the purpose of this liberation and freedom?

Romans 9-11: The Gospel Fulfills God's Promise To Israel

- What point do you think Paul is making about our backgrounds, God's choices and our responses to God?
- Does rejection thwart God's redemptive purposes?
- What stories does Paul use to illustrate this?
- What is the basis of this new covenant relationship with God?
- Why is this an obstacle for many of his own people?
- How has God used the rejection of Jesus from many of Paul's own people?
- What does this say about the kind of Covenant Family God desires?
- What is Paul's ultimate trust and hope for all of Israel?

Romans 12-16: The Gospel Unifies The Church

- How does this story of Jews and Gentiles relate to the experience of the church in Rome?
- How is the unity of the church to be shown in practice?
- What does love look like in the church?
- Does Paul expect that diversity will cause conflict? What is the answer?
- What were the issues that divided Gentile and Jewish believers?
- How did Paul call them to respond?
- What issues could this apply to today?
- How does the closing of Paul's letter illustrate women's leadership?

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