

Bible Training Institute

To proactively accelerate the spiritual growth of Grace Bible Church for the purpose of knowing God more intimately and becoming more effective servants of God in the world

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Romans

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Introduction

- Author: Paul
- Place in the canon of Scripture:
 - Introduces Paul at beginning of his epistles
 - Acts ends with Paul at Rome
 - Apostle to Gentiles
 - Desire for Rome
 - Aspiration for Spain
 - Apprehension concerning Jerusalem

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Introduction

- Readers—The believers in Rome
 - Gentile Church (with some Jews)
 - Good solid church (1:8; 15:14)
 - Church in need (1:11; 15:5)
- Date: Spring AD 57 or 58, end of Paul's third missionary journey

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Historical/Theological Themes

- Jew/Israel
- Righteousness & Justification
- Gospel
- Wrath
- Salvation
- Law
- Flesh
- Sin
- Spirit
- Faith
- Life and death
- Old Testament

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Purpose/Structure

- PURPOSE: Paul communicated to Jewish and Gentile Christians that both were acceptable to God based on a common righteousness received by faith in Christ.
1. Salvation (1-8)
 2. Sovereignty (9 -11) (of God over Israel)
 3. Service (12 - 16)

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Interpretive Issues

- Purpose of Romans
 - Theological?
 - Missionary?
 - Apologetic?
 - Pastoral –ultimate purpose is concern for the church
- The Righteousness of God—1:17..a righteous standing given by God
