

The Book of Romans

An Overview

Chapter	<i>Theme: “The Gospel — the Righteousness of God Revealed” (Key Verses 1:16-17)</i>	
1-8	Doctrinal — God’s Righteous Dealings with Sinners	
1:1-17	SALUTATION	Greetings — purpose, and theme of the letter (vs. 16-17)
1:18 - 3:20	SIN	Condemnation — the righteous judgment of God
1:18-32		Gentiles — without excuse before God
2:1-29		Jews — judged by the law of God
3:1-20		All the world — guilty before God; “none righteous”
3:21 - 5:21	SALVATION	Justification — through blood of Christ; by faith in Him
6:1 - 8:13	SANCTIFICATION	Sanctification — dead to sin; walking according to the Spirit
8:14-39	SECURITY	Glorification — joint heirs, glorified with Christ; no separation
9-11	Dispensational — God’s Righteous Dealings with Israel / Gentiles	
9	SOVEREIGNTY	Israel’s Past — God’s Purpose and Election in Israel <i>Not all Israel saved, only a remnant; mercy to Gentiles also</i>
10		Israel’s Present — Ignorant of God’s Righteousness <i>Israel stumbled because of unbelief — a disobedient people</i>
11		Israel’s Future — God’s Promises to Israel to be Fulfilled <i>Israel’s blindness resulted in Gentile salvation; Israel’s blindness temporary; all Israel will be saved</i>
12-16	Practical — God’s Righteousness in our Conduct as Saints	
12	SERVICE	Social Aspect — submission to God; love toward others
13		Civil Aspect — submission to authority; love toward neighbors
14:1 - 15:14		Weak Brothers — not judging or offending the weak brother — example of Christ — “did not please Himself”
15:15 - 16:27	SIGN-OFF	Benediction — Paul’s ministry and desire to come to Rome — Paul’s greetings to saints / fellow-workers — Dispensational bridge (vs. 25-26); “the mystery”