

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

ROMANS 1:1-6

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“Called To Be – Part 3”

The Gospel of Grace, The Foundation of New Testament Theology
According to Grace By The Argumentation of the Apostle Paul

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Romans 1:1-6

Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, CALLED TO BE an apostle, separated to the Gospel of God 2 which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures, 3 concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, 4 and declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead. 5 Through Him we have received grace and apostleship for obedience to the faith among all nations for His name, 6 among whom *(the nations of this world)* you also are the called of Jesus Christ;

“Paul’s letter to the Romans is a description of the power of God let loose amid the ruins of man. He declares the good news, the gospel of Jesus Christ. God has made a Way, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, to justify the ungodly.”

Pastor Ray Stedman

He went on to say that; *“The bull’s-eye, the heart of the target, is the major theme that ‘Jesus Christ is LORD”.*

And That Is The Great Theme of Romans

In the Roman Empire - at the time of this writing; the belief, the acknowledgement, that Jesus Christ is LORD” would most certainly have resulted in you being imprisoned, if not thrown to the lions!

It’s the proclamation of Jesus’ Deity.

This should not surprise us as there are three (3) things that Paul makes clear; (1) is that Jesus’ Deity is affirmed by the word POWER

(1)
:4a and declared to be the Son of God with POWER

(2)
:4b according to the Spirit of holiness

(3)
:4c by the resurrection from the dead.

“Called To Be”

1.) A new man

vs. 1

Verse 1

Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ,
called to be an apostle, separated to the Gospel of God

A New Man “Called To Be”...

1a.) Under a greater authority

vs. 1a

Romans 1:1a
Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ.

1b.) With a greater commissioning

vs. 1b

Romans 1:1b
Called to be an apostle,

1c.) For a greater purpose

vs. 1c

Romans 1:1c
Separated to the Gospel of God

And here we ended last time; Separated to the Gospel OF God.

Paul makes the distinction, that the gospel that he was preaching was that of God. It was common in the Roman empire to use the word gospel or good news. In the Roman world the word {euangelion} which meant “good news or a good announcement. It was used when the emperor had a firstborn son. But used when a new emperor took the throne. It was used when a great victory was right for the empire...

Paul announces that this good news is of God himself and not of man.

By God's Grace and Mercy;

We have not only been purchased out of and away from the slave market of sin, but we have been placed into a world of **"ultimate slavery"** – a relationship that is utterly united with Jesus Christ and His example...

John 15:10

If you **keep** My **commandments**, you will **abide** in My **love**, just as I have **kept** My Father's **commandments** and **abide** in His **love**.

Now Hear This; That the depth to knowing God is **infinite**. But that journey begins at the moment of salvation and from that starting point, we move on into full surrender – there in is **the great "romance of salvation"**

(this transcends our "previous" relationship with Him, as we move on from being "servants" to being called "friends" to being His bondslaves)

"Called To Be"

2.) A new voice

vs. 2-3

Verse 2-3

2 which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures,
3 concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh,

A New Voice - Called To Be...

2a.) We speak what we know

vs. 2a

Verse 2a

2 which He promised
before (*or beforehand – in advance of*)

Promised grk: proepaggellomai, to HAVE MADE a promise of old time or of ancient times. A long awaited promise. A promise that is arriving!

Isaiah 55:11

So shall My (promised) word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

Isaiah 46:9-10

Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other;
I am God, and there is none like Me, 10 Declaring the end from the beginning,
And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, (promised word)
“My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,”

2 Corinthians 1:20

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen,
to the glory of God through us.

**But Wait a Minute – Why Does This Matter in My Life?
Because This is What We Know...**

Verse 1-2

Separated to the Gospel of God.....
:2 which He promised before (beforehand) through His PROPHETS
in the Holy Scriptures (Old Testament.)

We know Psalm 2. We know Psalm 22. We know Isaiah 7:14.
We know Isaiah 9:6. We know Isaiah 53. We know Micah 5:2. We know Proverbs 30:4.

We know that according to the scriptures - The Gospel is His revelation
Jeremiah 33 = Habakkuk 2:4

And if that wasn't enough, Jesus Christ himself said:

Matthew 5:17

“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to
destroy but to fulfill. 18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away,
one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

Verse 2

2 He promised before through
His prophets in the Holy Scriptures,

All of this, with the intent to reach the world!

Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have
commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

For me personally - Other than the doctrine of Salvation,

The fact that God would invite us to partner with Him in the **ministry of announcing** His “Good News” His Gospel to the world -
Is absolutely remarkable.

“Show the world what I’ve done for you and to you.

Tell the world what I can do for them”

- Sincerely, Jesus

John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. **35** By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

This example should make the world around us – **jealous**, by way of making them **“thirsty”** and **“hungry”** for what we have with one another.

Matthew 5:13a

“You are the salt of the earth;

(To some we sting. To some we enhance. To some we heal.)

Matthew 5:14a

“You are the light of the world.

(To some we expose. To some we enlighten. To some we guide.)

A New Voice - Called To Be...

2b.) We speak what we hear

vs. 2b

Verse 2b

Through His prophets
in the Holy Scriptures,

The Holy Scriptures Say...

Romans 3:21-22

But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ,

The Holy Scriptures Say...

Hebrews 1:1-2a

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2a has in these last days spoken to us by His Son,

The Holy Scriptures Say...

Luke 24:13-19, 25-30-32

Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 And as they talked together of all these things which had happened. 15 So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. :17 And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" :18 Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" :19 And He said to them, "What things?" :25 Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.... 31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. :32 And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?"

A New Voice - Called To Be...

2c.) We speak what we learn

vs. 3

Verse 3

3 concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who was born of the seed of David - according to the flesh,

concerning: grk: peri; {all around - as in all around you by witness & word} the circumstances, the connections, the vicinity of

seed: grk: sperma; that conceived. A descendent of, or offspring of a line or heritage. (the direct DNA of another – without a doubt)

Here is the qualifier; The Messiah had to be from the direct line of King David.

Colossians 1:15-17

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

John 1:1-3,14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made... :14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

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