

## Outline of Romans 1

### Romans 1:1-7 – Introduction to the letter to the church at Rome.

- *To bring about the obedience of the faith for the sake of his name among all the nations. Rom. 1:6*

### Romans 1:8-15 – Five reasons why Paul wanted to visit Rome (none of which were to see the Spanish Steps, the Trevi Fountain, or to go into the Colosseum!)

1. Thankfulness, 2. prayer, 3. the giving of spiritual gifts, 4. mutual encouragement of faith, 5. the preaching of the gospel.

### Romans 1:16-17 – A concise synopsis of salvation by faith

- *The righteous shall live by faith. Rom. 1:17*

### Romans 1:18-32 – The fallout from the wrath of God.

- *The wrath of God is revealed against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men. Rom. 1:1*

#### A. What the unrighteous did. Rom. 1:18-23

- Having no excuse, for God had revealed his invisible attributes of eternal power & divine nature (Rom. 1:19-20) they:
  1. Suppressed the truth, Rom. 1:18
  2. Didn't honor or give thanks to God. Rom. 1:21
  3. Exchanged the glory of God for images. Rom. 1:22
  4. Exchanged the truth of God for a lie. Rom. 1:25
  5. Worshipped and served the creature, not the Creator. Rom. 1:25

#### B. As a result, God's judgment came upon the unrighteous. Rom. 1:24-27

1. They became futile in their thinking. Rom 1:21
2. Their foolish hearts were darkened. Rom. 1:21
3. God gave them up to the lusts of their hearts – impurity and the dishonoring of their bodies. Rom. 1:24
4. God have them up to dishonorable passions – homosexuality. Rom. 1:26-27
  - *Contrary to nature / consumed with passion for one another / committing shameless acts.*
5. God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done. Rom. 1:28-32

#### C. Consequently, refusing to acknowledge God, they committed all sorts of evil and unrighteousness. Rom. 1:28-31

Covetousness | malice | envy | murder | strife | deceit | maliciousness | gossips | slanderers | haters of God | insolent | haughty | boastful | inventors of evil | disobedient to parents | foolish | faithless | heartless | ruthless|

#### D. To make matters even worse... Rom. 1:32

Though they knew that their unrighteous acts were deserving of death, they brazenly gave approval to those who did the same. Rom. 1:32