

## **Romans 1 Outline**

- 1A** Identity of the writer, 1: Paul, a slave of Jesus Christ, called an apostle, being separated for the Gospel of God,
- 2A** The message, vv.2-5:
  - 1B** The prior announcement, 2: which He announced beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures,
  - 2B** The subject of the message, vv.3-4:
    - 1C** The person and genealogy, 3: concerning His Son, who came from the seed of David according to the flesh,
    - 2C** The spiritual sonship, 4: who was ordained the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness, from the resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,
    - 3C** The impact and purpose, 5: through Whom we received grace and apostleship toward obedience of faith among all the Gentiles, in behalf of His name,
  - 3B** The association of the subject and the readers, 6: among whom also you are the called of Jesus Christ;
- 3A** The readers and greeting, 7: to all the beloved of God who are in Rome, called saints; grace to you and peace from God our Father and Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4A** Relationship with the readers, vv.8-15:
  - 1B** Thankfulness and reason, 8: First I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, that your faith is proclaimed in the whole world.
  - 2B** Desire to visit, vv.9-12:
    - 1C** The affirmation, 9 For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the Gospel of His Son, as I unceasingly make mention of you,
    - 2C** The prayer, 10: always on the occasion of my prayers praying, if somehow I will be prospered at last in the will of God to come to you.
    - 3C** The reason, vv.11-12:
      - 1D** The impartation of a gift, 11: For I long to see you, that I might impart some spiritual gift to you, for you to be established,
      - 2D** Mutual encouragement, 12: now that is, to be encouraged together with you through the faith by means of one another, yours-mine.
  - 3B** Final explanation on Paul's motive to visit Rome, vv.13-15:
    - 1C** The longstanding plan, and its purpose, 13: I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that often I planned to come to you – and I was hindered until the present – that I might have some fruit among you also, just as also among the rest of the Gentiles.
    - 2C** Paul's Gospel-debt to the Gentiles, 14: To the Greeks and Barbarians, to the wise and ignorant, I am a debtor.
    - 3C** Final summary, 15-16a: So, there is eagerness for me and in you to preach the Gospel to those in Rome. 16a For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ;
- 5A** The greatness of the salvation of the Gospel, vv.16b-17:
  - 1B** The effective power of salvation, 16b: for the power of God is for salvation to all who believe, to the Jew first and to the Gentile.

- 2B** The clarity of its revelation from the righteousness of Christ, 17: For the righteousness of God in Him is being revealed from faith to faith, just as it has been written, “Now the righteous will live from faith.”
- 6A** The wrath of God toward unbelievers, vv.18-32:
- 1B** God’s wrath against those who suppress the truth of the Gospel, 18: For the wrath of God from heaven is being revealed upon all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness;
- 2B** The reason for the wrath: plain revelation, 19: For the knowledge of God is manifest in them; for God revealed it to them.
- 3B** The nature of the revelation, 20: For since the creation of the world His unseen attributes are perceived, being known by the things made, indeed His Hadaean power and divine nature, for them to be without excuse;
- 4B** Their refusal to love Him and its destructive result on their thinking, 21: because, although they knew God, they did not glorify God or give thanks, but they were emptied in their understanding, and their undiscerning heart was darkened.
- 5B** The contradiction of their perception and reality, 22: While asserting to be wise they became foolish,
- 6B** The shift from creator to creature worship, 23: and they exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God in likeness of an image of a corruptible man, and birds and four-footed things, and serpents.
- 7B** The action of God in releasing their restraint, 24: Therefore God also gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to uncleanness to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves.
- 8B** The character of the degenerates, 25: Who exchanged the truth of God with the lie, and worshipped and served the creature compared with the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.
- 9B** The nature of their degeneracy, and the result, vv.26-27:
- 1C** Rationale and result in females, 26: For this reason God gave them over to dishonorable passions; for even their females exchanged the natural intimacy for that which is against nature.
- 2C** Result in males, and the payment for their sins, 27: Likewise indeed also the males, forsaking the natural intimacy of the female, burned out in their appetite for one another, male with male committing the shameful, and receiving in themselves the recompense which is necessary for their error.
- 10B** Summary of the reason for their degeneracy, 28: And just as they did not seem to keep God in their full-knowledge, God gave them over to an illegitimate mind, to do the things which are not proper.
- 11B** The various expressions of degeneracy, vv.29-30: 29 having been filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, evil, wicked greed, full of jealousy, murder, strife, cunning, malignant; whisperers, 30 slanderers, godforsaken, arrogant, bloateds, braggarts, contrivers of evil, disobedient to parents, 31 undiscerning, uncomprehending, unfeeling, sociopathic, unmerciful;
- 12B** Their knowledge and brazen attitude, 32: Who, full-knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but also join in approving those who practice [them].