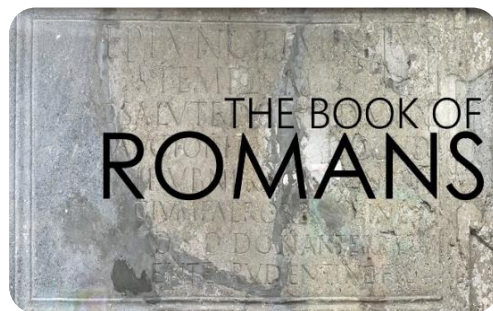


ROMANS 1 vs 1

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Paul was a good teacher; in Galatians, we learn he was first taught 3 years, then 14 more years directly from the risen Lord, who is a good Teacher, too. This Book to the Romans is the grand manifesto of God... against all that is Mystery Babylon in the last days: the time of the 3 days of the Ingathering, shadows of things to come still on the Lord's calendar awaiting fulfillment.



¹ Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called, apostled, separated to the gospel of God,

² -- which He previously promised by His prophets in the holy scriptures,

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

⁴ and inaugurated Son of God in power, by way of the Spirit of holiness, by resurrection from the dead: ⁵through whom we received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for His name: / they knew the Proverb and could have said: surely you know His name

⁶ Among whom are you also called of Jesus Christ:

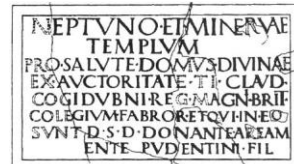
⁷ to all those in Rome, beloved of God, called, made whole: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ / remember Christ = the Messiah.

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the whole world / so how did Rome become so messed up?

⁹ For my witness is God, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son, how constantly I make mention of you in my prayers;

¹⁰ asking, if perhaps now, I will have a good road by the will of God to come to you.

¹¹ For I long to see you that I may give you the spiritual gift, to the end that you are established / Paul planned to stop by and visit those in the Palatium Britannicum; which included his brother (or half-brother) Rufus and his family -- mentioned in chapter 16; seen on the Chichester inscription (above), / the gift of the Spirit; Paul is talking about the common fellowship in the Spirit of God, that you are strengthened;



¹² **that is, that I may be comforted together by the mutual alliance of faith -- both yours and mine.** / the word is: **sumparakaleo**; mutual comfort from each other. Jesus said He would send Another Paraclete -- the Spirit of God would come and instruct us, and open up His way to us...

¹³ **I would not have you ignorant I would not have you ignorant, brothers, that I previously intended to come to you, but was hindered** / the word is: **agnoeo**; where comes the word: **agnostic**. There are some who pride themselves in not knowing: I'm agnostic! I don't know! I'm just being honest! -- even though it doesn't sound like they're being honest, and they know better. But like Dallas Willard said to the agnostic: GO find out! Here Paul says to the Romans; I don't want you to say, I don't know. I want you to know. Go find out!

/ and why did he want to come?

that I might have some fruit among you also even as among other Gentiles. / and that's not apples, oranges, peaches and pears. It's the fruit of the Spirit: love and joy and peace; grace and mercy... and kindness to one another and giving thanks to God. He wanted them to richly grow up,

Notice, seven times in these next verses, Paul uses the correlative conjunction: both this and that. Listen...

¹⁴ **I am indebted both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians** / to the sophisticated elites, the leading culture of their time; and the **Barbaros**; they don't speak our language. All those aliens, the foreigners in our midst. But let's go on...

both to the wise and to the unwise / to the **sophos**; the highly educated; and the **anoetos**; the not-so-bright; yet Paul was indebted to all of them.

¹⁵ **So, on my part, I am ready to preach the gospel to you who are at Rome also.**

¹⁶ **For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God** / the **dunamis** the dynamite of God; even this hardhead needs to be dynamited -- the good news does that:

for it is the power of God for salvation to all who faith both to the Jew first and also to the Greek. / to all who act in faith; **pisteo**; it's a verb; faithing. It's not just sitting on our butt thinking about it, while applauding others: arm chair quarterbacks... air-guitar musicians doing nothing except looking goofy. Those who keep their eye on the Prize don't need approval or applause from any judgmental, do-nothing... on-looker! remember, those who followed the Lord were mostly Jewish - of the House of **Judah**, they were first to receive the Good News; because Messiah first came to them, while the **northern tribes of Israel** went into Syrian captivity and spread north -- thought lost to history,

¹⁷ **For in it, is a righteousness of God revealed** / **apokalupto**; it is uncovered: the gospel; what God spoke to His people, is one of many expressions of God's rightness... Jesus being the greater Righteousness of God.

from faith to faith / from His faith, to our faith; from our little faith to greater faith:

as it is written: The just lives by faith By taking God at His word; by standing firm on what He said; by going from faith to greater faith; and not just thinking about it. Got it?!

The book of Romans was written to the early church in Rome: keep in mind the people met in homes where they were taught. Paul-- Inspired by the Spirit wrote this book, so it is just what the Lord knew those in Rome needed to know. In its Chapters we learn no hocus pocus is needed to ascend to heaven, or descend to the pit to bring up Christ. The word is near us, even in our mouth; if you confess Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead you will be saved.

Paul, like the disciple John -- say nothing about the bread and wine; as if it is not a high priority. To the romans, Paul says nothing about communion; he mentioned neither transubstantiation, or consubstantiation. He did not refer to prayer beads, nor make a remark about wearing special robes, collars, mitres or skullcaps. He said nothing about lighting candles. No mention of Mary. No reference of some mother of God. Definitely No queen of heaven – Prophet Jeremiah in chapters 44 took care of that demonic worship 500 years earlier. Paul had no papal bull crap to be concerned with: though he does thank God through Jesus Christ for all the faithful ones during that time in Rome.

So what happened? Did some mutton head, not led by the Spirit, not called up to the 3rd heaven, infiltrate the people of God with their evil that Paul never thought to tell Rome? **YES.** Many wolves in sheep's clothing came after Paul; disrupters inserting confusion: Let them be accursed; let them be as vessels worthy of the wrath of God, who sacrifice offerings to demons. Come out of her My people.

If you attend an assembly prone to go beyond what Paul and the Twelve first told us, then come out of her my people. Follow Jesus! But don't get in front of His agenda. Remember 3 days still are on the Lord's calendar. 3 Days are still on His Calendar

Salvation is Your Name | This is My Father's World

Where Your Heart Is

I Can Only Imagine | I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

His Sheep Hear His Voice And Follow Him

We Came From Where?