

ROMANS

Introduction

Key Text: Romans 1:17

Principle: A primer on thinking Christianly and living crossculturally.

The Man - Who is the Author?

The Ministry - Who are the Readers?

The Message - What is the Purpose?

WHAT TO BELIEVE

INTRODUCTION (1:1-17)

I. MAN'S PROBLEM: THE BAD NEWS (1:18-3:20)

- ↗ Pagan People are Doomed (1:18-32)
- ↗ Moral People are Doomed (2:1-16)
- ↗ Religious People are Doomed (2:17-3:8)
- ↗ Summary - All are Doomed (3:9-20)

Question: Is the world lost?

Answer: "...the entire world *is guilty before God*" (3:19).

II. GOD'S SOLUTION: THE GOOD NEWS (3:21-8:39)

- ↗ Justification (3:21-5:21)
- ↗ Sanctification (6:1-7:25)
- ↗ Preservation (8:1-39)

Question: How can I be personally related to God?

Answer: "...*no condemnation for those who are in Christ*" (8:1).

III. GOD'S HONESTY: THE MASTER'S PLAN (9:1-11:36)

- ↗ Divine Sovereignty (9:1-33)
- ↗ Human Responsibility (10:1-21)
- ↗ Merciful Purpose (11:1-36)

Question: Why has Israel been shelved?

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IV. CHRISTIAN ACCOUNTABILITY: THE HARD PART (12:1-15:33)

- ↗ Live Beyond Myself (12:1-21)
- ↗ Christian Citizenry (13:1-14)
- ↗ Debatable Matters (14:1-23)
- ↗ Personal Ministry (15:1-33)

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