

## The Bible - Week 36 (September 19th)

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# Romans

**Author:** The Apostle Paul

**Date:** While on his third missionary journey, around 55 CE.

**Audience:** A church Paul had never been to before that were yet still church who were in need of guidance.

**Reason:** To help with the tension between the Jewish and Gentile peoples of Rome, that they were both a valued part of God's plan.

**Theme:** The core of Christianity and the Jew/Gentile relationship.

**Key Verse:**

**Romans 1:16-17 CEB**

I'm not ashamed of the gospel: it is God's own power for salvation to all who have faith in God, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. God's righteousness is being revealed in the gospel, from faithfulness for faith, as it is written, *The righteous person will live by faith.*

**Sections:** Paul's Gospel (Ch 1-8), Israel's Gospel (Ch 9-11), Living the Gospel (Ch 12-16)

**Key Words:** Law, Righteous, Grace, Justified, Faith

**Basic Intro:** This is a book that lives the gospel, it is about faith and grace and redemption.

**Questions for Discussion:**

- **Why were the Jewish/Gentile People fighting?**
- **Why does the church separate itself like this?**
- **We learn that we are no longer under the Law so how do we know what is sinful now?**
- **What is Justification? Sanctification?**
- **Chapter 12 has a list of everything we need in order to bring the Kingdom of God to earth, we just need to act. What does it say? How are we doing what Paul says? How can we do better?**