

Romans: Gospel of Paul

Lesson 7: Lesson Chapter 3:9-20

Summary of the Section of Sin:

** Key Words: ***Righteousness, faith, law, all,*** and ***sin*** each appear at least 60 times

** Must be important when it's emphasizes 60 times

- I. Paul a pharisee, a benjamite and a tent maker introduces himself as:
 - A. Slave not as a bond servant but as one bought with a price
 - B. Apostle who is called and sent out
 - C. Set apart as Apostle separated to the Gospel of God

- II. Introduces his Case
 - A. The nature of the Gospel
 1. Promised through the Word of God
 2. Promised through his Prophets
 3. Promised as the Son of God
 4. Promised through the genealogy
 5. Promised through death of Sin and Resurrection by the power of the Spirit

 - B. Thematic Outline
 1. Do not be ashamed of the Gospel of Christ
 - a) For it is the power of God to Salvation
 - b) For everyone who believes
 - c) For Jew first and also for the Gentiles (Greek)
 - d) For in it the righteousness of God is revealed
 - e) From Faith to Faith
 - (1) Hab 2:4 "The just shall live by Faith."

 - C. Reason and Results of Gentile Guilt
 1. Reason
 - a) Gentile suppress the Knowledge of God
 - (1) Though God made it known through Creation thus no excuse
 - b) Idols
 - (1) Because hearts are darkened and reasoning became so debased that worship of creation is preferred rather than the Creator
 2. Results
 - a) Gentiles are given over to depravity
 - (1) homosexuality
 - (2) 22 sins
 - (3) even who approves are Guilty

 - D. Jews are Judged
 1. According to Truth
 - a) Jews judge others with the Word of God entrusted to them yet they themselves do no practice it
 2. According by their Works
 - a) Glory, honor, immortality and peace are those who follows the Law
 - b) indignation, wrath, tribulation, and anguish on every soul who doesn't

E. No Partiality

1. Jesus is the fulfillment of the Law thus those who follow his precepts will be justified
2. Law or without Law both Jews and Gentiles will be judged accordingly

****First What Then: What Advantage Then has a Jew?**

I. Advantage and Value in being a Jew (3:1-2)

- A. Abrahamic Covenant: Circumcision
- B. The oracles of God: Entrusted with the spoken Word of God
 1. 613 Commandments to follow

II. God proves true and every man a liar (3:3-4)

- A. Will Jewish unbelief lead to God being unfaithful?
- B. God will be proven true and every man a liar (Psalm 116:11)
 1. **NUGGET**** Let's be justified: Not all translation has You/Your/You capitalized
 - a) "That **You** may be justified in **Your** words, and may overcome when **You** are judged. (Capitalized You/Your/You because it's about Jesus!)
 - b) "That **Jesus** may be justified in **Jesus'** words, and may overcome when **Jesus** is judged."
 2. Justified through Grace (Ephesians 2:8) —correction from last outline
 - a) "For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God's gift"
 3. Justified through Mercy (Psalm 51:1-2)
 - a) Blot out Transgression
 - b) Wash Iniquity
 - c) Cleanse Sin

III. God's righteousness proven and enhanced justice (3:5-8)

- A. Philosophy: Shall we demonstrate evil so that righteousness of God is glorified?
- B. God inflicts wrath justly (5-6)
 1. God who inflicts wrath, is God righteous?
 2. If God were unrighteous, how could he judge the world?
- C. God condemns justly (7-8)
 1. Why am I still judged as a sinner when my lie enhances the glory of God?
 2. People who slandering Paul as saying, "let us do evil that good may result," deserve condemnation

Lesson 7: Romans 3:9-20 “Conclusion: All are Guilty before God.”
****Second What Then?**

- I. We are ALL under Sin (3:9)
- II. Litany of Old Testament “Thus Says the Lord” (3:10-18)
 - A. We all Sin against God (3:10-12)
 - 1. We are unrighteous
 - 2. We don’t understand
 - 3. We don’t seek God
 - 4. We turn away to become useless
 - B. We Sin against People with Our Tongues (3:13-14)
 - 1. Our Voice is an open grave
 - 2. We lie deceitfully like a poisonous snake
 - 3. We curse and are bitter
 - C. We Sin against People with Violence (3:15-18)
 - 1. We are swift to shed blood
 - 2. Our path leads to destruction and misery
 - 3. We don’t know the way of Peace
 - 4. We have no Fear of God
- III. We cannot be declared righteous (3:19-20)
 - A. We are accountable to God
 - B. The Law shows us how sinful we are

Note Taking: