



ROMANS

How the gospel works

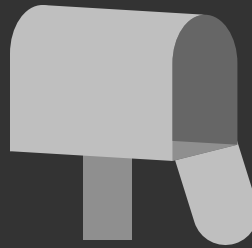
Theme verses

I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous man shall live by faith." (1:16–17)



Who wrote it?

The apostle Paul, who plans to pass through on his way to Spain (1:1, 15:24)



Who read it?

Jewish and Gentile Christians in Rome whom Paul has not yet met (1:7, 10–15)

The structure of Romans

Paul is planning a missionary journey to Spain, and plans to preach the gospel and raise some funds in Rome. He begins with a greeting, explains what the gospel is, details what our response should be, and closes with more greetings.

1:1–17

Greeting & purpose

1:18–11:36

The gospel: how Jesus reconciles us to God, the Spirit makes us sons of God, and salvation glorifies God

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How to live in response to the gospel

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Greetings to individuals