The just shall live by faith

Romans

The righteousness of God
When? and Where?

• Around AD56/57 from Corinth - Acts 20:2-3

Notes:

• Paul is on his way to Jerusalem with a collection for poor brethren and sisters (Rom 15:25) having been in Macedonia and Achaia (Rom 15:26)
• Paul commends Phoebe - from Crenchea bear Corinth
• He is staying with Gaius - from Corinth – 1 Cor 1:14
• Sends greeting from Erastus - in Corinth an inscription was discovered that refers to an Erastus as the city ‘aedile’ (i.e., an official in charge of public works)
“Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen”

Faith is active (Heb 11!) it demonstrates what our priorities are.
Power of God

“For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.” (1 Corinthians 1:18-19)

“Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus ” (2 Timothy 1:8-9)
Righteousness of God

• God would not allow sin to prevail
  – Sin is condemned (Gen 3:15, Ex 34:6-7)

• God would forgive
  – Put sin away (cf. Ps 103:12, Gen 3:15, Ex 34:6, 9)

• To share God’s righteousness we need to:
  – Condemn sin in our lives
  – Believe he’ll forgive and save us
Atheists support design!!

“It therefore becomes overwhelmingly likely that any given universe, our own included, would be designed rather than "natural".” – John Gribbin

(http://theflatearthsociety.org/forum/index.php?topic=44001.0)
Universal problem of sin

“both Jews and Gentiles...they are all under sin” (3:9)

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Pharisaical mind-set

“I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican” (Luke 18:11)

Jesus speaking to the Jews says:

“Ye judge after the flesh” (John 8:15)
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• **AD49** – Jews expelled from Rome by Claudius
  – Roman ecclesia nearly all Gentiles
  – Cf. Acts 18:2

• **AD54** – Claudius dies, Jews can return
  – Jewish brothers and sisters struggle to adapt to being a minority – attempt to push some of their customs onto the ecclesia

• **AD56** – Paul writes to them
“For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another”
Cornelius – a ROMAN convert

“Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.” (Acts 10:34-35)

“But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: for there is no respect of persons with God.” (Romans 2:10-11)
“Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion. For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money. For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD; and my name continually every day is blasphemed.
Isaiah 52:6-7

“Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that doth speak: behold, it is I. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings [the gospel] of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!”
The Gospel is what gives us freedom

“as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that **preach the gospel of peace**, and bring glad tidings of good things!” (Romans 10:15)

“The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, **preaching good tidings of peace** by Jesus Christ” (Acts 10:36 RV)
“they are all under sin”

Citation in Romans

- Psalm 14:1-3, v1 “heart”
- Psalm 5:9, v9 “inward part”
- Psalm 140:3, v2 “heart”
- Psalm 10:7, v6 “heart”
- Isaiah 59:7-8, v13 “heart”
- Psalm 36:1, v1 “heart”

“The heart is deceitful above all things” (Jeremiah 17:9)

Note: Psalms of David – he acknowledged sin in his life.
God’s faithfulness

Psalm 89 tell us Jesus will be a witness to God’s faithfulness – he’ll be **David’s seed** and he’ll be **established in the heavens**.

- “The gospel of God...concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of **the seed of David** according to the flesh” (Rom 1:3)

- “It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, **who is even at the right hand of God**, who also maketh intercession for us.” (Rom 8:34)
God’s righteousness

“I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation” (Psalm 40:10)
Habakkuk

• **Chapter 1** – Habakkuk struggling with the suffering of the righteous in a violent society

• **Chapter 2** – God tells him, “the righteous/just live by faith”; His purpose will be accomplished – “earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD…”

• **Chapter 3** – Sees a prophetic vision of how God will save in the future (3:18): through the Lord Jesus and the saints!
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The gift of righteousness

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Psalm 51 - chiasmus

• **Blot out** v1
  – Wash me v2
    • **Cleanse me** v2
      – I acknowledge my transgression v3
        » My sin is ever before me v3
    “That though mightest be just when thou speakest” v4
    » In sin did my mother conceive me v5
      – Thou makest me to know wisdom v6
    • I shall be clean v7
      – Wash me v7

• **Blot out** v9
The Joy of Forgiveness

“Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. **Blessed** is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit **there is** no guile...he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about. Be **glad** in the LORD, and **rejoice**, ye righteous: and shout for **joy**, all **ye that are** upright in heart.” (Psalm 32:1-2, 10-11)
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**Rom 1** cites **Hab 2**

**Rom 4** cites **Gen 15**
Abraham’s faith [5x]

• “who against hope believed in hope...
• being not weak in faith...
• he staggered not at the promise of God...
• was strong in faith...
• being fully persuaded...

• ...therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness”

“by ye not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.” i.e. Abraham (Heb 6:12)
Structure

• Chapter 1-2 - Negative
  PLURAL  - The whole world is under sin
  SINGULAR  - You are sinful too

• Chapter 4-5 - Positive
  SINGULAR  - Abraham counted righteous
  PLURAL  - We can be counted righteous too
“much more”

• Jesus’ death has brought salvation for us sinners, through him we are counted righteous – we have hope of the kingdom!
  – We believed that at our baptism.

• Now we’re in a relationship with God, his love is there for us EVEN MORE to save us. So suffering in our lives is not the wrath of God.
  – The wrath of God is the futile existence of humanity, the curse because of sin – Romans 1:18
Our boast

Verse 2 – “rejoice in hope of the glory of God”

Verse 3 – “we glory in tribulations also”

Verse 11 – “we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.”
The example of Job

“He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.” (Job 33:26)
The example of Job

The premise of Romans:
“How should man be just before God?” (Job 9:2)

Creation – made Job stop and say “I am vile [of small account]; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.” (Job 40:4)

Creation should humble man, [Rom 1] “every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God” (Romans 3:19)
The example of Job

“For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor? Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?” (Romans 11:34-35)

“God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him? Who hath enjoined him his way?” (Job 36:22-23)

“If thou be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receivest he of thine hand?” (Job 35:7)
“we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience” (Romans 5:3)

“Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job” (James 5:11)
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verb

ransom

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   c.f. Heb 12:2, “for the **joy** set before him...set down at the right hand of the throne of God” |
Twice, yea thrice!

1. His Word
2. Suffering
3. His Son

“God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son” (Hebrews 1:1-2)
Sin’s impact

What Adam brought

Grace’s impact

What Jesus brought
Romans 5 Comparisons

Verse 15

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- “and I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw ‘all men’ unto me”.
  (John 12:32)
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Chapter 6:16
• “his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?”
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The spirit of life in Christ Jesus

Romans

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1:1-17  Introduction – need faith in the gospel (which reveals God’s righteousness)

1:18-1:32  The whole world is corrupt universal problem

2:1-3:9  No one (including the Jew) is without sin

3:10-20  The old testament proves the problem of sin universal problem

3:21-31  Conclusion – we need faith in the Lord Jesus (who declared God’s righteousness)
The Problem

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14, Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Adam’s sin brought in the curse – mortality. We all share in that because we all sin – whether we notice it or not!
Offence v Free gift

15 One offence brought in death; 16 a judgement of condemnation – 17 which resulted in death reigning (having mastery over us)

The constitution of sin!

“Mortality, our misfortune not our crime”. But we all commit sins – therefore we deserve death

15 God is graciously offering a gift through one
16 the gift can justify many offences – 17 if you’ll receive it, it can rule your life!

Contrast 1: the gift is undeserved – it’s a gift!

Contrast 2: where one offence brought condemnation, this gift can deal with many offences!
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19, For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

20, Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

21, That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.
Who reigns?

- **Sin previously ruled bringing death**
  - we let it become our master by sinning/ being unrighteous (6:12-13)

- **Grace can rule our lives all the way to eternal life!**
  - we let it rule our lives by being servants of righteousness, of God’s way (6:18-23)

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“know ye not...”

• 6:3 “know ye not that as many of us as were baptised...”
  – New life, now live it!
• 6:16 “know ye not that to whom ye yield yourselves servants”
  – New master, serve him!
• 7:1 “know ye not brethren” free from the law, now married to another (the Lord Jesus Christ)
  – New husband, love him!
God’s spirit

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.” (Genesis 1:1-2)

“For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.” (2 Peter 1:21)
God’s spirit = Jesus’ spirit

“the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth” (John 1:14)

“the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:” (John 17:22)

“the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life” (John 6:63)
God/Jesus’ spirit = Our spirit

“the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:” (John 17:22)

“But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.” (Romans 8:9)
The Spirit of Christ

• “whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.”

• “if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.”

• “whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.”

• “Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.”
There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: 4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.
10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. 12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. 13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
The law showed the problem of sin

• “by the law is the knowledge of sin.” (Romans 3:20)

• “Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.” (Romans 4:15)

• “the law entered, that the offence might abound” (Romans 5:20)

• “by the commandment sin might become exceeding sinful” (Romans 7:13)
SALVATION depends upon the assimilation of the mind to the divine ideas, principles, and affections, exhibited in the Scriptures. This process commences with a belief of the Gospel, but it is by no means completed thereby; it takes a lifetime for its scope, and untiring diligence for its accomplishment. The mind is naturally alien from God and all His ideas (Romans 8:7; 1 Corinthians 2:14), and cannot be brought at once to the divine likeness...
...This is a work of slow development, and can only be achieved by the industrious application of the individual to the expression of God’s mind in the Scriptures of truth. The infallible advice then to every man and woman anxious about their salvation is—READ THE SCRIPTURES DAILY. It is only in proportion as this is done, that success may be looked for. The man who sows sparingly in this respect, will only reap sparingly. Much spiritual fructification is only to be realised in connection with fructifying influences of the Spirit in the Word.

Robert Roberts
Verbs in Romans 7

• Verses 1-13 – all in past tense
• Verses 14-25 – all in present tense

Living under the law had made the apostle realise just how deep rooted sin was... but even now as an apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ he still is struggling with sin
Condemning sin

“Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience...put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him” (Colossians 3:5-6,10)
God’s spirit must be ours

“I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.” (Proverbs 1:23)

“the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life” (John 6:63)

“Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.” (Psalm 143:10)
Our new spirit

“If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.” (Galatians 5:25)

“ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:” (Romans 8:16)

“Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.” (Matthew 7:20)
Suffering and Glory

“I reckon that the **sufferings** of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the **glory** which shall be revealed in us.”

**Suffering**
- Subject to **vanity**
- **Bondage of corruption**
- Creation **groaneth**
- **Travaileth** in pain

**Glory**
- Delivered
- Glorious liberty
- Redeemed
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The spirit of the new man

- God’s spirit...
- Jesus’ spirit...

...must be our spirit

God, who knows us inside out, knows the mind of the Spirit that maketh intercession for the saints

“Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.” (Psalm 44:21)

“God shall judge the secrets of men” (Romans 2:16)
The groanings of the spirit

“I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart. Lord, all my desire is before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.” (Psalm 38:8-9)
The faithful witness

David’s “seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me. It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful witness in heaven” (Psalm 89:36-37)
“all these things” help us

• God knows our heart’s desire
  – He hears the groanings of the new man’s spirit

• God works in our lives for good
  – All things work together for good

• God gave his son to deal with sin
  – Delivered him up for us

• Jesus work was so complete his intercession will never end
All Israel shall be saved

Romans
The righteousness of God
Israel’s Blessings

• The adoption – God taking them as his son
• The glory – the name bearing angel on the mercy-seat
• The covenants – Abrahamic, Mosaic and Davidic
• The giving of the law – what was given on Sinai
• The service – performance of sacrifices and offerings
• The promises – all promises God had made to Israel
• The fathers – the examples of faithful men
• The natural birth of the Lord Jesus from their race
An Israelite in God’s eyes

- Not all Israel (natural Jews) are of Israel (spiritual Jews)
- Not all Christadelphians (people that call themselves Christadelphians) are Christadelphians (brothers and sisters of the Lord Jesus Christ)

“For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.” (Romans 2:28-29)
“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ”

Rom 8:14-17, Gal 4:3-7

“Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law [cp.Rom 8:2]

To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.”
Example of Pharaoh

- Water to blood Pharaoh hardened his heart (7:22)
- Frogs Pharaoh hardened his heart (8:15)
- Lice Pharaoh hardened his heart (8:19)
- Flies Pharaoh hardened his heart (8:32)
- Cattle Pharaoh hardened his heart (9:7)
- Boils The LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart (9:12)
- Hail Pharaoh hardened his heart (9:35)
- Locusts The LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart (10:20)
- Darkness The LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart (10:27)
- Death of 1st born The LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart (11:10)

“God endured with much long suffering the vessels of wrath”
(Romans 9:22)
Proof of God’s election

- Isaac – not Ismael
  - The child of God’s provision
- Jacob – not Esau
  - The younger brother
  - Esau though a descendent of Abraham was rejected because of his attitude
- Moses
  - Could only be in fellowship with God on HIS terms
- Pharaoh
  - God will confirm people in the path they choose
  - God can do this because he knows which vessels are for glory and which are for wrath
Proof of God’s election

• God has always planned to call Gentiles
  – Not natural descendants of Abraham

• Not all natural Israel will be saved
  – God’s made clear through scripture that only a remnant will be saved
Cited in Romans 9:27-28

“The remnant shall return, *even* the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God. For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, *yet a remnant of them shall return*: the consumption decreed shall *overflow with righteousness*. For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of all the land.” (Isaiah 10:21-23)
The stumblingblock

“we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:23-24)

“that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of man, but in the power of God” (1 Corinthians 2:5)
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The hope of Israel – for ALL nations

“In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.”

(Zechariah 8:23)
• “And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD. As for me, this is my covenant with them…” (Isaiah 59:20-21)

• “There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them...when I shall take away their sins.” (Romans 11:26-27)
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Judah needs cleansing

“the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they were troubled, because there was no shepherd.”

Zechariah 10:2
Isaiah 27 – God’s forgives Israel

• “I shall take away their [Jacob’s] sins” (Isaiah 27:9 cited Romans 11:27)
• “Maketh all the stones of the altar as chalkstones” (cp. Josiah in 2 Chronicles 34:7)
• Break up the idols in the land
• Lie down and feed as a calf – cp. Micah 7:14, Ezekiel 34:14-15
Converted Judah destroying branches

“Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.”

Zechariah 10:3
The end of Gentile times

“Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell [the Jews], severity; but toward thee [the Gentiles], goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off...”

...“blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.”

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Isaiah 27 – Vengeance

• “the women come and set them on fire”
  – The bride will have vengeance, (cp. Psalm 49:6-9) on the broken off branches

• God will not be gracious or merciful to the unbelievers/those with no understanding
  – “he that made them will not have mercy on them, and he that formed them will show them no favour” (Isaiah 27:11)
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God asks for faith

• **Past**
  – David, Abraham
  – Chapter 4

• **Present**
  – Anyone reading this letter!
  – Chapter 5-8

• **Future**
  – Israel
  – Chapter 9-11

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” (James 1:17)
United in Christ Jesus

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“Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind” (Romans 12:2)

• 2 Corinthians 4:6
• Colossians 3:10
• Ephesians 4:23
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*more in Romans than any other book*
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“Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Caesar, or no? But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me? Shew me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Caesar's. And he said unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's.” (Luke 20:22-25)
Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ

“be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. ” (Ephesians 4:23-34)

“put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him” (Colossians 3:10)
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Minister

“Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises” (Romans 15:8)
• Diakonos – teacher, leader

“I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God” (Romans 15:16)
• Leitourgos – a functionary in the temple
• hierourgeō - a temple worker
Gospel for everyone

Examples:

Jew – **Herodian** “my kinsman”
Bond – **Andronicas** “my fellow-prisoner”
Female – **Pricilla** “my fellow-helper”

“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.” (Galatians 5:28)
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