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MINISTRY OF THE WORD

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SCRIPTURE READING: **ROMANS 1:24-32**

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## 1. BACKGROUND

- a. The **Book of Romans** was written by the Apostle Paul between A.D. 56 and 58.
- b. It is addressed to the Church of Rome and was written in the city of Corinth, which is in Greece.
- c. We know the Apostle Paul was a missionary to the Gentiles.
- d. Paul writes this letter to introduce himself and to summarize his understanding of the Gospel message. The **Book of Romans** is the longest of Paul's thirteen New Testament letters.
- e. Some key themes from the **Book of Romans**:
  1. Everyone is born with a sinful nature. **Romans 3:23** tells us, ***For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.***
  2. Every born again believer has a conflict between the old and new nature. **Romans 7:23, *But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.***
    - a. The Apostle Paul tells about this old nature in **Romans Chapter 7. Romans 7:15-16, *For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. 16: If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.***
    - b. Upon salvation the old nature is not removed, but it can be diluted by feeding the new nature with the Preserved Word of God and being in God's will. **2 Peter 3:18, But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.**
    - c. The Apostle Paul also tells us about the new nature in **Romans 8:1, *There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the spirit.*** **Romans 4:22-24, *And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. 23: Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; 24: But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;***
    - d. **Because the new nature is the nature of God Himself, it does not sin or have the capacity to sin. This does not apply to the flesh that sins, but to the inner man.** **1 John 3:9 is very plain *Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.*** **Romans 8: 9-11, *But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.*** (God, The Holy Spirit) **Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. 10: And if Christ be in you,** (God, The Son) **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** (God, The Father) **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.
    - e. We do not hear this truth taught very often, but we know that Jesus paid the penalty for our sin and provided a divine nature for every believer. **2 Peter 1:4, Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine**

**nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.**

3. Our salvation is a new creature in Christ Jesus. As a result, we have everlasting life and we are saved for eternity. Man teaches one can lose his salvation, God says, it is there for all eternity. **2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**
  - a. Once saved and born again, there is no act one can commit that will cause him/her to lose their salvation. **Romans 8:38-39, For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39: Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**
  - b. Christians need to get this truth anchored deep into their heart and soul. It is the soul that Jesus came to save the first time. At His Second Coming He will redeem the body.
4. It is only through our perfect Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that we can become righteous. **Romans 3:22, Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:**
5. Justification is by faith, not by good works. Justification is instantaneous.
  - a. **Romans 4:25, Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.**
  - b. **Romans 5:16, And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.**
  - c. **Romans 5:18, Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.**
6. Sanctification is through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, not through the keeping of religious laws. Sanctification is progressive as we grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
  - a. **2 Thessalonians 2:13, But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:**
  - b. **2 Peter 3:18, But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.**
  - c. We are commanded to be filled with the Spirit and we do this by adding to our faith in accordance with **2 Peter 2:5-9, And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6: And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7: And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. 8: For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9: But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.**
7. Everyone who trusts in the Lord Jesus will be saved and given the ability, through the Holy Spirit, to live a victorious life. **John 10:10, The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.**
8. The Apostle Paul makes this very clear in **Romans 15:16, That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.**
  - f. Paul met Aquila and Priscilla who were from Rome. They were very instrumental in helping Paul get the Gospel out to the Romans and to build a church there.
  - g. It was Martin Luther who said the "Epistle to the **Romans** is the true masterpiece of the New Testament and the very purist gospel, which is worthy and deserving that a Christian man should not only learn it by heart, word for word, but also he should daily deal with it as the daily bread of men's soul. It can never be too much, too well read or studied; and the more it is handled, the more precious it becomes, and the better it taste."
  - h. Martin Luther suggested that every Christian should make an effort to know the **Book of Romans** because this book will ground the believer in the faith.
  - i. Let's see what precious truths we can glean from the mighty Word of God in the **Book of Romans.**

## 2. INTRODUCTION

- a. Please refer to the September 4, 2022 Morning Message for the Introduction.

### 3. SIX POINTS TO THE MESSAGE

#### d. Wherefore God also gave them up...

1. **Romans 1:24, Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:**
2. Man's degeneration can be measured by the perversion of sex that we see today.
3. Sometimes we are soft on this issue, but God's Word is very emphatic about this.
4. Idolatry and gross immorality are the bitter fruits of rejecting God's revelation and His plan of salvation.
5. The statement that God gave them up literally means that God handed him over to a reprobate mind. It is positive and not a passive attitude. **Romans 1:28, And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient:**
6. There is no question that God will judge and condemn sin and he is not soft on sin as some would have us believe.
7. We see the results of man's rebellion against God; however, there is a way to avoid the wrath of God and His impending judgment.
8. It is not God's will that any should perish, but that all should come to the knowledge of the truth. **2 Peter 3:9 says, The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.**

#### e. Who changed the truth of God into a lie..

1. **Romans 1:25, Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.**
2. **Colossians 2:8, Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.**
3. Mankind in their boldness is changing the Preserved Word of God to suit their own purposes. **Matthew 4:4, But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**

#### f. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections

1. **Romans 1:26-27, For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.  
**Leviticus 18:22-24, Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination. 23: Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it is confusion. 24: Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you: Leviticus 20:13, If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them. Jude 7, Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.****

#### g. And even as they did not like to retain God

1. **Romans 1:28, And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;**
2. Man in his boldness attempt to justify his sinful deed citing the Word of God as His source
3. Make no mistake, God will punish sin.

#### h. Being filled with all unrighteousness

1. **Romans 1:29-31, Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30: Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31: Without**

**understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:**

2. God does not forget our evil deeds.
3. Avoiding God's judgment is possible only through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and His saving grace.

**i. They which commit such things are worthy of death**

1. **Romans 1:32, Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.** The **Book of Romans** presents a picture similar to a courtroom.
2. Having gone through the preliminaries and having announced the verdict, God's Word concludes in **Romans 3:9, What then? Are we better than they? No, and no wise: for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles that they are all under sin.** **Romans 3:19-20** places the icing on the cake and it says **Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may become guilty before God. 20: Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall be no flesh justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.**
3. According to the Bible, there is no righteousness outside the Lord Jesus Christ. **Titus 3:5, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;**
4. There is no way man can make himself righteous and fit for a home in heaven. **Isaiah 64:6, But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.** Only through the blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ can this be accomplished. What a great and fantastic miracle! It says, **"Justification through the righteousness of Christ."**
5. What a remarkable and fantastic statement! When we analyze the word "justification" under the microscope, we see it means **"just as if we have never sinned."** Jesus paid the penalty of our sin. If we are saved, He has erased past sins, present sins and future sins from our life.
6. **Romans 3:24-25** are key verses in the **Book of Romans**. It clearly sets forth justification, redemption and propitiation. These come through faith in the blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Romans 3:24-25, Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 25: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;**
7. This is strong medicine from the **Book of Romans**. **Every Christian** needs to examine himself to make sure he has the saving faith which only comes through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**4. CONCLUSION**

- a. You have heard the truth from God's Word today. It is very important that you understand God's simple plan of salvation.
- b. The Bible says in **Romans 10:9, That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.**
- c. Conversion has to take place in the soul and heart of man. We must accept the finished work of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ on the cross where He died; He rose again for you and me; He took our sins upon himself and by His righteousness we can please God.
- d. The only case I find in the entire Bible of any man that has ever pleased God was His perfect Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. **Matthew 17:5** says, **While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.** **2 Peter 1:17** says, **For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.** **Matthew 3:17** says, **And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**
- e. Today Jesus is willing, able and ready to save.
- f. Will you come to the Saviour today?
- g. Please stand.

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