



A Guided Tour of the Bible: Discovering God in

Romans



Background

- Romans is the first of 21 New Testament "_____." An epistle is a formal letter written to instruct a person or group of people.
- The Apostle Paul wrote Romans in Corinth (15:25-26; 16:23) in approximately 57 AD.
- The churches at Rome were likely founded by converts from Paul's ministry in Asia Minor.
- Disunity and doctrinal misunderstandings threatened the effectiveness of the Roman Church. Paul writes this letter to clear things up so Rome might become a launching point for missions (16:24).



Roadmap

1. Prologue and Theme (1:1-17)
2. The _____ of the Gospel (1:18-8:39)
 - A. Sin (1:1-3:20)
 - B. Justification (3:21-5:21)
 - C. Sanctification (6-8)
3. The Problems of the Gospel (9-11)
 - A. God's past dealings with Israel (9)
 - B. God's present dealings with Israel (10)
 - C. God's future dealings with Israel (11)
4. The _____ of the Gospel (12:1-15:13)
 - A. In church (12:1-8)
 - B. In society (12:9-13:14)
 - C. With believers (14:1-15:13)
5. Epilogue and Personal Greetings (15:14-16:27)



Landmark

Romans unfolds the glories of the _____ (1:16-17). Sinners are justified by faith in Christ's death (1-5) and sanctified by faith in His life (6-8). Jew and Gentile are united by the gospel (9-11) for the gospel (12-16).



Must See

Justification is the gracious act of God whereby God _____ a sinner righteous solely on the basis of faith in Christ.

Sanctification is the gracious process of God in which He _____ us into the image of Christ by faith.

Must See: Jesus is the focus of the gospel and the means of salvation by grace apart from the works of the law .



Takeaway

1. The gospel is not too good to be true, but it is too good to _____ to ourselves.
2. Justification is by faith alone, but justifying faith is _____ alone.