

# ROMANS

## “ROMANS REWIND – Chapters 1-4”

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Romans 4:23-25

## ROMANS 1 – ALL HUMANITY IS TRAPPED IN SIN AND NEEDS TO BE RESCUED

### The Believer’s Identity:

- ◆ Just like the Apostle Paul, every believer is a \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ Jesus (Rom 1:1; 6:15-23; 1 Cor. 6:19-20), called to the \_\_\_\_\_ that comes from \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 1:5).

### The Theme of Romans (Rom. 1:16-17):

- ◆ The gospel is the power of God for \_\_\_\_\_ to all who \_\_\_\_\_ by faith.
- ◆ The gospel \_\_\_\_\_ God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

### Everyone is Accountable to God for Sin (Rom. 1:18-32):

- ◆ God’s \_\_\_\_\_ is being revealed against \_\_\_\_\_ humanity, and all people are without \_\_\_\_\_.

## ROMANS 2 – RESCUE WON’T HAPPEN BY TRYING TO OBEY THE LAW

- ◆ The \_\_\_\_\_ unbeliever (Rom. 2:1-6) is under the same judgment as the immoral unbeliever (Rom. 1:18-32).
- ◆ God’s \_\_\_\_\_ is intended to lead you to \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 2:4).

- ◆ God’s judgment will be based on what people \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 1:18-32; 2:12,14-15).

## ROMANS 3 – GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS PROVIDES RESCUE THROUGH JESUS

- ◆ All are sinners deserving of \_\_\_\_\_, but salvation is given by grace to all who believe by faith in Christ’s work on the cross (Rom. 3:21-26).
- ★ **Redemption** = The work of Christ on our behalf, whereby He purchases and ransoms us—at the price of His own life—securing our deliverance from the bondage and condemnation of sin.

## ROMANS 4 – ALL THOSE JUSTIFIED BY FAITH MAKE UP THE FAMILY OF ABRAHAM

- ◆ No one is declared righteous by \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 3:27, 4:2,4), or trying to keep the \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 4:13-15).
- ◆ Belief = \_\_\_\_\_ in God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 4:3,11,17,18,24).
- ★ **Justified** = “Declared righteous.” This is a legal term.
- ★ **Imputed** = “to reckon to”; “to credit to one’s account.” It is an accounting term (used eleven times in Rom. 4).
- ◆ Abraham had a promise, but we have a gospel, the Good News. Abraham looked forward to what God promised He would do. We look back to what God has already accomplished.
- ◆ The central revelation of God is at the \_\_\_\_\_ and in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 4:23-25).

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