

Romans 1:8-17

Glory to God

V8-10 Paul's prayer of thanks

V8- Thanks to God, through Jesus, for fellow believers

Only Jesus gives access to God

John 14:6 I am the way, the truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me

V9-10 Re-emphasis on thanksgiving and preaching the gospel. And Paul's hope to see them soon.

Whole heart/ pneuma- Spirit that is within Paul enables him to move forward in ministry.

V10- Paul introduces that he wants to come to them

V11- Paul longs to see them so that he may strengthen them spiritually
Unknown “Spiritual gift”, but the gift would strengthen them

Communication/Speaking Gifts

Prophecy: Speaking the heart and truth of God to encourage/edify

Teaching: Ability to explain biblical truth clearly

Evangelism: Unique passion in sharing the gospel

Encouragement: Ability to comfort, uplift, and motivate others to live a godly life

Pastoring: Providing spiritual guidance

Serving/Ministry Gifts

Service: Willing to assist in meeting practical needs

Giving: Generosity and the ability to cheerfully share personal resources to meet the needs of others.

Mercy: Deep compassion for the suffering or hurting.

Leadership / Administration: Ability to organize people and efforts to accomplish God's work

Hospitality: Ability to make people feel welcome & safe

Wisdom Gifts

Word of Wisdom: Receiving divine insight to navigate complex situations or provide godly strategy.

Word of Knowledge: Revelation of information or facts that could not be known by natural means

Discernment: Ability to recognize if an action, teaching, or spirit is genuinely from God or of a deceptive origin.

Faith: An unshakeable, Spirit-inspired belief and trust that God will do the impossible

V14-15 Paul wants to preach to everyone (1 Cor 9:6 Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel.)

V14- Greek/barbarian; wise/fools

V15- “I am eager to preach”

Why? (Romans 1:5)

To bring glory to God

Descriptive and prescriptive.

What Paul did/ what we should do

1 Cor 11:1 Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ.

If we “become” eager to love others, share gifts with others, preach the gospel of Christ to others, we will reap a harvest of the lost (1:13)

V16-17 The Power is in the message, not in us

V16- The messenger carries the message.

The message carries the power.

What kind of power?

The power of God unto salvation

Salvation is available to all who believe.

The gospel reveals the
Righteousness of God

ALL SIN MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR

ALL SIN MUST BE JUDGED

Isaiah 53:5 But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 46:13 I bring My righteousness near,
it shall not be far off; My salvation shall not
linger. And I will place salvation in Zion,
For Israel, My glory.

Hebrews 1:1-2 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, ² has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds.