

Review of Romans 1

Living Faith Bible Fellowship

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A Genuine Faith

Doctrine

Orthodoxy

Ethics

Orthopraxy

We want to approach Romans...and the gospel...with this view...

Tonight's Discussion

- Overview of Romans and its Theme
- Review of Romans 1

What is Roman's About?

- We Must Consider Paul's Motivation
 - Proclaim the gospel to the Roman believers
 - Edify them
- Traditional Theme
 - Righteousness
 - Its revelation
 - Judging Righteousness
 - Saving Righteousness
 - Key verse – 1:17
 - Justification by Faith
 - Clearly the theme of chapters 1-4
 - God's Righteousness in Wrath, 1:18 – 3:20
 - God's Righteousness in Salvation by Faith, 3:21 – 4:25
 - But there is more to Romans than this

Recommended Theme: The Gospel

- Paul's motivation supports this
- Theological structure of the epistle
 - **Fundamentals: Justification by Faith [1 – 4]**
 - **Union with Christ [5 – 8]**
 - Dying with Him to Sin
 - Being Raised with Him to New Life
 - **Who are the People of God [9 – 11]**
 - Sovereign Election
 - Human Responsibility
 - Israel and Gentiles
 - **Living Out the Gospel [12 – 15]**
 - Core Principle and the Relationship of Ethics to Doctrine]
 - Church
 - Society
 - Relationships

• Questions / Comments

Chapter 1 Summary

Paul's Calling and Ours, 1-2

- Slave [Do you consider yourself a slave of Christ?]
- Sent [Do you feel sent by Christ and if so, how?]
- Set Apart [What does set apart mean to you?]

Note the Centrality of Jesus in verses 3-5

Paul's Motivation, 8-15

- Their reputation, v.8
- Edification
- Mutual encouragement
- Obligation

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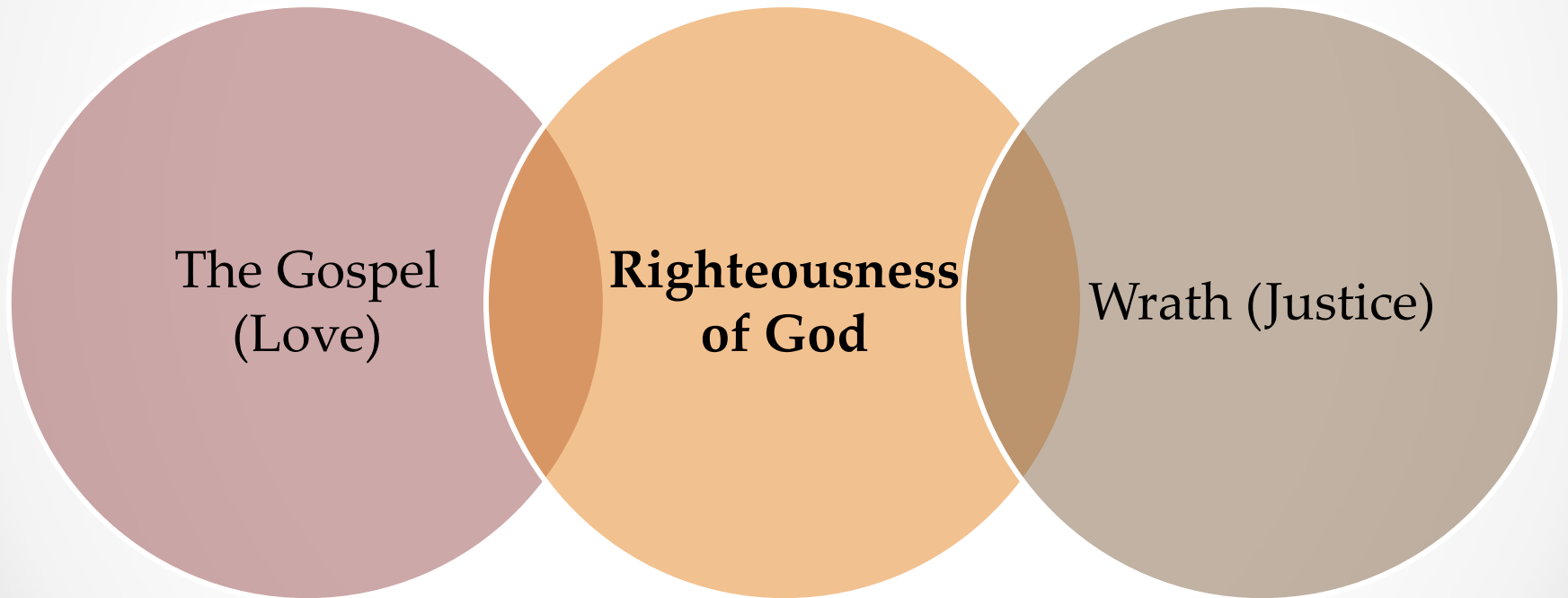
Paul's Confidence in the Gospel, 16

- Willing to suffer because he knows what it achieves
- The gospel is God's saving righteousness for his people in which they stand by faith

The Revelation of God's Wrath

- Against mankind that has rejected him and his truth
- Against mankind that has sunken into depravity
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The Gospel and Wrath Adjoined via God's Righteousness



Looking Ahead to Next Messages on Romans

Sin as the basis for
judgment and
obedience as the basis
for righteousness

Obedience is not just
behavior but also
motivation