

# Review of Romans 1

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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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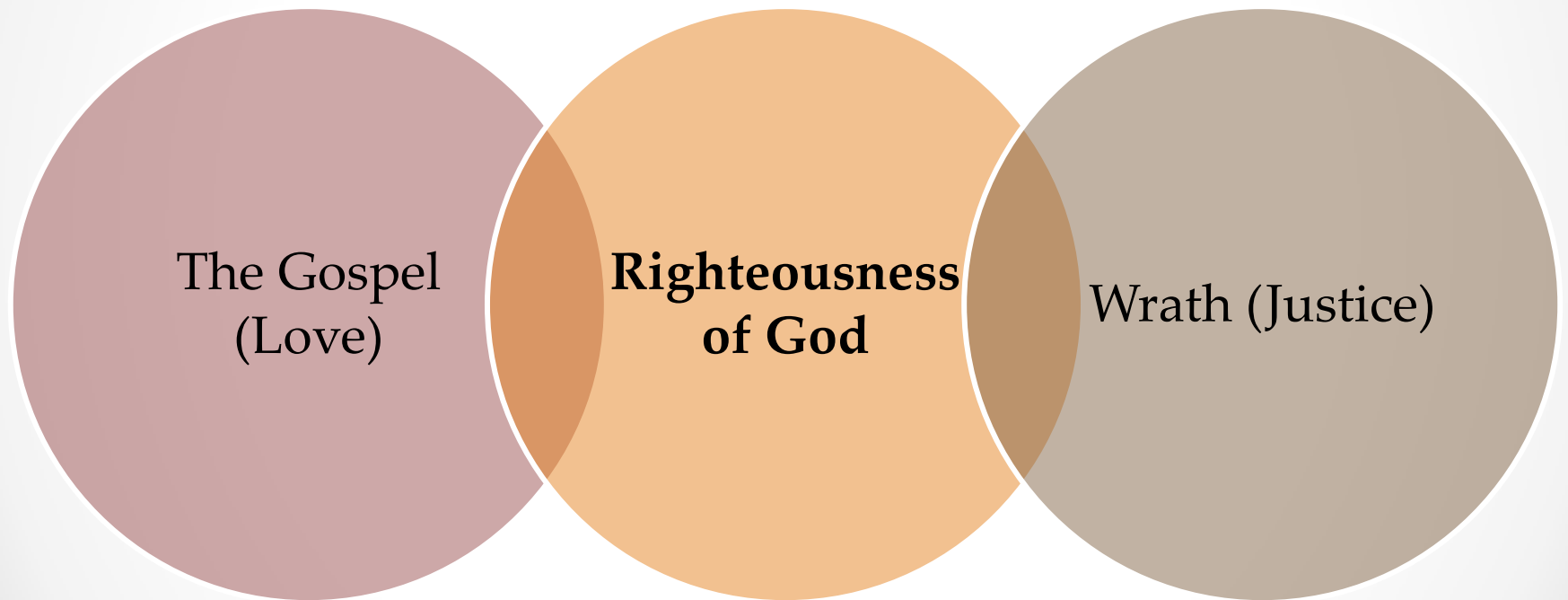
## Paul's Confidence in the Gospel, 16

- 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