

"THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PAUL"

ROMANS 1:1-17

1. THE PERSONS OF THE GOSPEL OF PAUL. vs. 1-7

- A. The apostle Paul himself. Vs. 1; Acts 9:15; Gal. 1:15
- B. The prophets (generic) of the Old Testament (body of scriptures, oracles of God).
 - a. The antiquity of it. Vs. 2
 - b. The subject matter (Jesus) of it. Vs. 3-4; Hebrews 10:5
 - c. The fruit of it. Vs. 5
- C. The Gentiles in particular. Vs. 7

2. THE PERSONAL FEELINGS OF THE GOSPEL WRITER. vs. 8-14

- A. His thanksgiving for them. Vs. 8
 - a. Because of their great faith.
 - b. Because the whole world heard about it.
- B. His prayer for them. Vs. 9-10
 - a. He prays by praying persistently.
 - b. He prays by praying pointedly.
- C. His yearning for them. Vs. 11-15
 - a. That he might be edified. Vs. 11
 - b. That he might be comforted. Vs. 12
 - c. That he might disciple them. Vs. 14

3. THE PROPOSITION OF THE GOSPEL WRITER. vs. 16-17

- A. It reveals to us the attitude of Paul toward the gospel. Vs. 16
- B. It reveals to us the power [dunamis (Gk.)] of God unto salvation. Vs. 16
 - a. This is a drawing power (John 12:32).
 - b. This word is a seed and seeds give life (Luke 8:11; John 5:24-25).
- C. It reveals to us the way of salvation. vs. 16; God's right way through the gospel plan.
- D. It reveals to us the order of salvation. Vs. 16
- E. It reveals to us the righteousness of God or God's right way. Vs. 17
 - a. We receive God's righteousness or God's right way by faith.
 - b. We continue to live or "*intensify*" in His righteousness by faith.