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Sermon – Roman’s Review

Scripture – The Book of Romans

Main Message – The Book of Romans is embodying so much detail I encourage you to read it frequently but memorize those verses to help others with your testimony.

How to Review the book of Romans? Well, keep reading the entire book is the best way. Now that it is May and we have been doing this for the most part since early January it might be valuable to squish it into a review. Knowing the book of Romans well is your ticket to having what you need to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with others.

This review will use that filter to make it even possible to do a little bit. I want to say this with great seriousness. It is your solemn responsibility to share the Gospel. Knowing Romans gives you the tools to do it effectively. Having faith in God gives you the strength.

If you know the Lord Jesus Christ as your LORD and SAVIOR then the very first verse (**1:1**) brings depth. We are a servant of Jesus Christ, called to do that for which we are called. He was an Apostle. Know your calling and do it – and we are all called to share our faith. No excuses. Do not be ashamed of the Gospel, or the Lord may be ashamed of you and we live by that faith.

Right from the beginning Paul addresses the broken sinful self-centered egotistical problem of us all. **1:29-32**. People these days think they know it all, especially young ones. Everything is okay as long as your true to yourself – that is a lie. The hard but necessary truth is that, All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. **Vs 3:23**. Memorize that verse. You may know it in your heart, but too many willfully ignore the fallen state of their soul and they need to be awakened to their terrible state. That state is the doom of us all in **6:23a** The wages of sin is death. We have all sinned. We will all die. Tell folks that. But finish that verse with the vital 2nd half 6:23b, ... but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. I find it interesting the people “hate” Christians. We should be the most humble because we have come to the terms that we are grouped with everyone else in that all have sinned and fallen short. No judgement from us. We know we are doomed to die. The sin inside us brings it about over time. Well, the all important but here is vital. The Gift above all gifts which is eternal life. If I put you in a room with all exit doors locked and I start a fire in the corner you and I show you a key that opens an exit to life outside the hot, smoky burning room only an insane person wouldn’t take that key if offered. Showing someone they are in trouble. Showing them there is a way out and we are trying to help them. **10:9** is another verse to know inside your heart so that you can share this heartfelt gift to others. That if you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Many may think it is complicated, but the Lord knows we are not that smart and so he had to make it as simple as possible. Religion is more than happy to make it complicated. Man ruins everything in the name of power and control. Don’t let someone think you’re religious. Defend yourself. There is no salvation through religion. For the most part, religion is awful. I understand why people use the term and it has its place, but no, I am no fan of religion. I am a fan of Jesus Christ who died on the Cross for my sins. Memorize 10:9. Its all about that and nothing else. Then, once you have embraced that then hold onto your faith through every trial and that is my favorite of all verses in the book of Romans.

8:38-39 - For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”