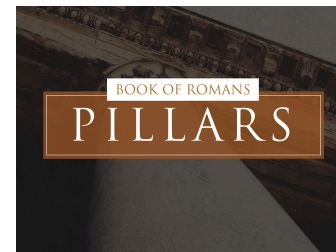


The Power of the Gospel

Romans 1:1-32 / Sermon Notes



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: *Have you ever felt powerless?*

THE POINT

The gospel is the solution to the problem of sin.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

► **The Greeting:** Paul introduces the _____ of Jesus Christ.

- Promised (v. 1) - Everything in the gospel orbits around the person of Jesus Christ.
- Grace (v. 5) - The gospel has real significant impact in the lives of individuals.

► **The Goal:** Paul intercedes for the _____ of the saints.

- Ceasing (v. 9) - The prosperity of their faith was a direct result of continuous prayer.
- Established (v. 11) - The church benefits from giving and receiving of spiritual blessings.

► **The Gospel:** Paul insists _____ is available to all by faith.

- Power (v. 16) - Rome was the seat of power, called the "cesspool of iniquity". Powerless to become righteous.
- Righteousness (17) - The idea is not condemning a guilty sinner but converting a filthy sinner.

"God will not withhold salvation from anyone who places their trust in Jesus."

► **The Guilty:** Paul illustrates the _____ of sin.

- Wrath (v. 18) - The simple & sobering truth is that humanity deserves God's wrath.
- Ungodliness (v. 18) - "idolatry, perversion, wickedness, evil". Necessity for salvation.
- Penalty (v. 27) - A habitual lifestyle of sin carries with it self-destructive results.

NEXT STEPS

1. Thank God for the ways the gospel has transformed your life.
2. Commit to praying for the persecuted church around the world.
3. Evaluate and confess sin to God that is contrary to His holiness.