



**Romans**

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Sunday, November 15, 2015

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*For I am not ashamed of the Gospel,  
for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes . . . —Romans 1:16*

## 1:1-15: Introduction

## 16:1-27: Greetings & Friends



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### CONNECTING TOGETHER (20 - 30 min.)

Take time to catch up, share life and connect together. One way to do this is to share "Highs & Lows" from the last week.

### GRAPPLING WITH THE WORD TOGETHER (20 - 30 min.)

1. How did you come under God's Word in this message? What did you think and/or feel in response to this message? Share one thing you learned in this message.
2. Read Romans 3:22-25 and make a list of all the things we learn about the Gospel in just this short passage. What is justification and what does it have to do with righteousness? How are we justified?
3. Who do you know in your circle of influence that needs the Gospel? Read Romans 1:14-17. Paul says here that he's eager to share and not ashamed of the Gospel. Why are we sometimes ashamed of the Gospel and not eager to share it?
4. Romans 5-8 is gushing with gospel mercies and blessings, from peace with God to the gift of God's Spirit. But often we don't realize what we have in Jesus. Why is that? Do you think its ignorance, lack of appreciation, they aren't real to us or some other reason?

5. Romans 12 -16 is all about Gospel living. To what degree and in what ways does your faith shape and impact your life?
6. What's the image of Romans 12:1? What does that mean and look like?
7. Which of the 4 big sections of Romans is most relevant and challenging to you right now and why . . . Gospel ESSENTIALS, Gospel FRUITS, Gospel REACH, Gospel LIVING?

### FAMILY FOCUS THIS WEEK

*A way to apply God's Word in our households together (roommates, housemates, families, couples).*

Sometime this week, make an opportunity to share/discuss this question. . .

Of all the abundant blessings/mercies of the Gospel, what is one blessing that you are appreciating and enjoying right now in your walk with Christ?

### PRAYING TOGETHER (20 - 30 min.)

- Read Romans 12:9-16. Then share prayer requests with one another and pray in light of this text.
- Pray for one another that we might hold on to the Gospel ourselves as we experience various trials AND that we might live and share the Gospel as we interact with those who need it, but don't know it.