

The Book of Romans

I. Paul's **Introduction** to his Letter (1:1-17)

II. Paul *Declares* Man's **Need** for God's **Salvation** and **Righteousness** (1:18-3:20)

III. Paul *Delivers* his Gospel Message of **Righteousness** by **Faith in** Messiah (3:21-5:21)

IV. Paul *Describes* the new **Life** and **Walk** of **Believers**, with regard to **Sin, Righteousness**, the **Law**, and the **Indwelling Spirit** (6:1-8:39)

E. He *Instructs* them to now **Live** and **Walk** according to **Indwelling Spirit of God** (8:1-39)

1. *Explaining* how they have been **Set Free** from “**Sin and Death**,” by the “**Spirit of Life**” in Messiah (8:1-4)
2. *Exhorting* them to **Walk**, *not* according to the **Flesh**, but according to the **Spirit** who now **Indwells** them (8:5-17)
3. *Encouraging* them to **Live in Hope** of their **Future Glory** (8:18-30)
4. *Establishing* their **Position** as the “**Elect**,” and the **Beloved** of God (8:31-39)
 - a. *Who* has fully **Vindicated Us through His Son** (8:31-34)

³¹ What then shall we say to **these things**?
If **God is** for us, **who is** against us?

³² He who did **not** spare His own **Son**,
but **delivered Him over** for us all,
how will He not also with Him **freely give us** all things?

³³ **Who** will bring a charge **against** God's elect?
God is the one who **justifies**;

³⁴ **who** is the **one** who **condemns**?

Messiah Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the *right hand of God*, who also intercedes for us.

b. *Who* has Unconditional Love for Us *through* His Son
(8:35-39)

³⁵ *Who* will separate us from the love of Messiah?
Will *tribulation*, or *distress*, or *persecution*,
or *famine*, or *nakedness*, or *peril*, or *sword*?

³⁶ Just as it is written,

“FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG;
WE WERE CONSIDERED AS *SHEEP* TO BE SLAUGHTERED.”

³⁷ But in all these things we overwhelmingly *conquer*
through Him who loved us.

³⁸ For I am convinced that neither *death*,
nor *life*, nor *angels*, nor *principalities*,
nor things *present*, nor things *to come*, nor *powers*,

³⁹ nor *height*, nor *depth*, nor any other *created thing*,
will be able to separate us from the love of God,
which is in Messiah Jesus our Lord.

Message Summary
Our *Blessed* Standing as Sons of God

A. We are *Ultimately* Glorified

²⁹ For those whom He foreknew, He also *predestined*
to become conformed to the *image* of His Son,
so that He would be the *firstborn* among many brethren;

³⁰ and these whom He *predestined*, He also called;
and these whom He *called*, He also justified;
and these whom He *justified*, He also glorified.

B. We are *Utterly* Vindicated

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how will He not also with Him *freely give us all things*?

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who is at the **right hand** of **God**, who also **intercedes** for us.

C. We are ***Unconditionally Loved***

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nor things **present**, nor things **to come**, nor **powers**,

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will be able to **separate us** from the **love of God**,
which is **in Messiah Jesus** our Lord.

Personal Application ***Resting*** in **God's Unconditional Love**

For you (**Israel**) are a **holy people** to the **LORD your God**;
the **LORD your God** has **chosen you** to be a **people**
for **His own possession** out of **all** the **peoples**
who are on the face of the **earth**.

"The LORD did not **set His love** on you nor **choose you**
because you were **more** in number than any of the peoples,
for you were the **fewest** of all **peoples**,

but because **the LORD loved you**
and **kept the oath** which **He swore** to **your forefathers**,..

Know therefore that the **LORD your God**,
He is God, the **faithful God**, who **keeps His covenant**
and **His lovingkindness** to a **thousandth generation**
with those who **love Him** and **keep His commandments**;
(Deuteronomy 7:6-9)

→ But **you** are A **CHOSEN RACE**, A **royal PRIESTHOOD**,
A **HOLY NATION**, A **PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION**,
so that you may proclaim the **excellencies of Him**
who has **called you** out of **darkness** into **His marvelous light**;

for you once were **NOT A PEOPLE**,
but **now** you are **THE PEOPLE OF GOD**;
you had **NOT RECEIVED MERCY**,
but **now you have RECEIVED MERCY**. **Beloved**,..
(I Peter 2:9-11a)

How **precious** is Your **lovingkindness**, O God!
And the **children of men** take **refuge** in the shadow of Your wings.
(Psalm 36:7)

“For the **mountains** may be **removed** and the **hills** may **shake**,
But **My lovingkindness** will **not be removed** from you,
And **My covenant** of **peace** will **not be shaken**,”
Says the **LORD** who has **compassion** on you.”
(Isaiah 54:10)

“**My soul** has been **rejected** from **peace**;
I have **forgotten happiness**.

So I say, “**My strength** has **perished**,
And so *has my hope* from the **LORD**...

This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have **hope**.

The **LORD’S lovingkindnesses** indeed **never cease**,

For His **compassions** **never fail**.

They are **new every morning**;
Great is Your faithfulness.”
(Lamentations 3:17-18, 21-23)

But **God**, being **rich in mercy**,
because of His **great love** with which **He loved us**,

even when we were **dead** in **our transgressions**,
made **us alive together with Messiah**
(by **grace you** have been **saved**),

and **raised us up with Him**, and **seated us with Him**
in the **heavenly places** in **Messiah Jesus**,
(Ephesians 2:4-6)

Closing Prayer