

## FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE

Romans 1:1-17  
Key Verse: 1:5,17

Lesson 1

### \* PAUL A SERVANT OF JESUS CHRIST (1-4)

1. How does Paul introduce himself? What does it mean that he calls himself a servant? (cf 6:16) An apostle? What does it mean to be called? (1,5,6,7) Set apart for the gospel?
2. Why does he say "the gospel of God"? What proves its authenticity? What can we learn In this passage about Jesus Christ?

### \* THE OBEDIENCE THAT COMES FROM FAITH (5)

3. What is apostleship? What is Paul's mission as an apostle? What is the grace which he has received? (see 15:15,16; 1Ti 1; 15,16; 1 Co 15:10) In what sense is mission God's grace? Do all Christians have a mission from God?
4. What does it mean to be called to the obedience that comes from faith? Why does he describe the Christian life in these terms? (compare Mt 28:19,20)
5. Think about the words, "for his name's sake." What does this phrase tell us about the underlying purpose of the gospel? What does the word "gospel" mean? Why is it good news for people? (16)

### \* PAUL'S PRAYER (6-15)

6. What can you learn here about the people to whom Paul wrote? (5,6,7,8) (See also 15;p)
7. What was Paul's prayer request? Why do you think he prayed so faithfully for the Christians in Rome and wanted so eagerly to go there? (Think about the status of Rome in the world of Paul's time.)
8. What do think the spiritual gift he wanted to impart to them was?
9. What was Paul's attitude as a gospel worker? (9, 14) To whom and why did he feel a sense of obligation? Why? What should we learn from him?

### \* THE RIGHTEOUS WILL LIVE BY FAITH (16-17)

10. Why should we not be ashamed of the gospel? Why might some people be ashamed? Why is the gospel the "power of God"?
11. How is the righteousness of God revealed in the gospel? Why must it be revealed by faith from first to last? What does it mean to live by faith?