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from Romans, a letter in the Bible

Through this series we'll be working our way through the Biblical letter of Romans. We'll explore themes of forgiveness, freedom, hope and grace.

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Overview

Romans is not just for theologians! Paul wrote to ordinary people (see ch16) in a key city, who he hadn't had the opportunity to preach to. He wanted them to be well grounded in the Gospel so that their witness would be most effective – All roads lead to (& from) Rome! For that reason Romans is probably the clearest, most exhaustive exposition of the Gospel and has brought breakthrough to many – Augustine, Martin Luther, Wesley and you?

Encountering the Person of the Gospel – Christ Jesus our Lord!

Don't miss the rich meaning of His name!

- Christ – what does this mean?
- Jesus – what is the significance of this name?
- Lord – what would this have meant to Christians in Rome? Don't miss the 'our'!

Encountering the Power of the Gospel – see verse 16

- Whose Gospel is it? See v1.
- What is the purpose of the Gospel?
- What did Jesus mean when he said our righteousness must exceed that of the Pharisees if we are to enter the Kingdom of heaven?

Encountering the Provision of the Gospel

- Whose righteousness is the focus of the Gospel?
- Why do you think Martin Luther called Romans ch1v17 the gate to Paradise?
- What does it mean: the righteous will live by faith?