

# THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.  
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 14:1-12

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN — PART 4

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology  
And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Spiritual Worship, Godly Service, Dedication, Devotion, Sacrifice, The Will of God.

## GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN

1.) Means we have a grounded faith

vs. 1-3

### Romans 14:1-3

Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things.

**2** For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables.

**3** Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats;  
for God has received him.

A grounded faith is a maturing faith

1a.) Maturity produces a practical faith

vs. 1

1b.) Maturity produces a compassionate faith

vs. 2

1c.) Maturity produces a unifying faith

vs. 3

“Normal, is True Biblical Faith - Which is Obedience to God in the Extreme.”

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# Moving on with Our Scripture Passage

**4** Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. **5** One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. **6** He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and gives God thanks. **7** For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. **8** For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. **9** For to this end Christ {Messiah} died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living. **10** But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. {Messiah} **11** For it is written: "*As I live, says the LORD, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God.*" **12** So then each of us shall give account of himself to God.

# GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN

2.) Requires us to know who we are vs. 4-9

# GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN **REQUIRES US TO KNOW WHO WE ARE**

2a.) Meaning: I'm not you and you're not me vs. 4

## Verse 4

**4** Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is ABLE to make him stand.

## 2 Corinthians 5:16-18

Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. **17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. **18** Now all things are of God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

Jude 1:24

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present *you* faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,

2 Timothy 4:18

And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom.  
To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!

### **Ephesians 3:20**

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,

### **Hebrews 13:20-21**

Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, **21** make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

### **Matthew 5:12**

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

### **Romans 8:31**

What then shall we say to these things?

If God is for us,  
who can be against us?

## **Checking In with Romans 8:28 – It is still in the Bible !!**

### **Romans 8:27-30**

Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. **28** And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. **29** For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. **30** Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

## **GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN REQUIRES US TO KNOW WHO WE ARE**

**2b.) Meaning: We are individually, under construction**

**vs. 5**

Verse 5

**5** One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each (individual person) be fully convinced in his own mind.

Esteems grk: *kri'no*;  
to judge, to decide, to conclude, having a strong opinion about something.

Convinced grk: plerophoreo

to bring in full measure, to fulfill, to accomplish, to be made fully assured of, deep personal conviction.

## Are You a Friday – Saturday – Sunday Worshipper

## Man Has a Predilection Toward Error – Jesus Said So.

### **Isaiah 45:23**

I have sworn by Myself;

The word has gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that to Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall take an oath.

### **Philippians 2:10-11**

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, **11** and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### **Acts 4:11-12**

This is the “*stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.*’ **12** Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

## **GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN REQUIRES US TO KNOW WHO WE ARE**

**2c.) Meaning: Living with Jesus is true liberty**

**vs. 6**

Verse 6

**6** He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he GIVES GOD THANKS; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and GIVES GOD THANKS.

## **Another Profound Statement Regarding Christian Liberty**

**Verse 6 only works if you understand that God is personal. And for the Godhead to Reveal Himself to Humankind – He became a Human.**

# THE “MADE-KNOWN” DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST.

## Colossians 2:9

For in Him dwells all the fullness of the **Godhead** bodily.

## Romans 1:20

For since the creation of the world (things of the physical universe) His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things (all things) that are made, even His eternal power and **Godhead**, so that they (humans) are without excuse.

## Philippians 2:6-11

who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, **7** but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. **8** And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. **9** Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, **10** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, **11** and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## GETTING REAL WITH GOD & MAN REQUIRES US TO KNOW WHO WE ARE

2d.) Meaning: We together must love first

vs. 7-9

Verse 7-8

**7** For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. **8** For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord.  
Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

All this is based upon honest, personal convictions –  
based on the Scriptures.

As you grow, your convictions will change as your understanding increases.

## 1 Corinthians 13:11

**When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.**

## 1 Corinthians 3:13-15

Then each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. **14** If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. **15** If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

## Love is The Barometer That Proves our Maturity

### Romans 14:20-23

Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All things indeed are pure, but it is evil for the man who eats with offense. **21** It is good neither to eat meat nor drink wine nor do anything by which your brother stumbles or is offended or is made weak. **22** Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before God. Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves. **23** But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin.

**Apart from actual sin – living a life of sinful behavior, we are forbidden to pass judgement (final condemnation) on anyone - that alone is what Jesus Christ will do to all who reject Him.**

## The Maturity of a Seasoned Saint

### 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God.

**2** Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful. **3** But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. **4** For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. **5** Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God.

### 2 Corinthians 13:5-6

Examine yourselves *as to* whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? - unless indeed you are disqualified.

**6** But I trust that you will know that we are not disqualified.

Verse 9

**9** For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

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### 1 Corinthians 7:23b

Do not become slaves of men.

### Luke 7:36-50

Then one of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. **37** And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, **38** and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. **39** Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.” **40** And Jesus answered and said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” So he said, “Teacher, say it.” **41** “There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. **42** And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?” **43** Simon answered and said, “I suppose the one whom he forgave more.” and He said to him, “You have rightly judged.” **44** Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. **45** You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. **46** You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. **47** Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.” **48** Then He said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” **49** And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” **50** Then He said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you. **Go in peace.**”

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