

Paul's Epistles – Romans 8-16 (Part 2)

The New Testament * Week 18 * Opening Collect: Proper 15, BCP 232

I. Romans 8—GREAT NEWS!

1. Vs 1-4 – NO condemnation!
2. Vs 10-11 –Dead, but live
3. Vs 15-17 – “Abba/Daddy”
4. Vs 18 – Today's suffering not worth comparing!
5. Vs 19-25 – Salvation for us AND all creation.
6. Vs 26-27 – Spirit prays through us.
7. Vs 28-30 – God causes all to work together for good. Parts bad, but whole good.
8. Vs 31-39 – If God is for us! No condemnation. Nothing can separate us from love!

II. Romans 9 – God chooses who is his and who isn't.

1. Vs 18 -- “God has mercy...”
2. Vs 20 – “Who are you?”
3. “Predestination” =
4. “Double predestination” =
5. What about free will?

III. Romans 10-11 – “all who call upon the Name of the Lord will be saved.”

IV. Romans 12:1a – Paul's “therefore.”

A. First part of letter

B. “Therefore” –

C. Not one in 1 Corinthians, but at least one in every other letter to a Church:

1. 2 Corinthians has several: 3:12; 4:1; 4:16; 5:6, 5:17, 5:20; and others.
2. Galatians 4:31
3. Ephesians 4:25
4. Philippians 2:12; 4:1
5. Colossians 2:16; 3:5, 3:12
6. 1 Thessalonians 4:8, 4:18; 5:11
7. 2 Thessalonians 3:6 (no “therefore” there, but the letter shifts as though there were)
8. 1&2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon written to individuals, and therefore have no “therefore!”
9. Hebrews 12:1 – but no one knows who wrote it. This is one evidence that it might have been Paul.

V. Romans 12 -- Is God more interested in what we believe? What we think and say? or what we do?

A. “offer bodies as living sacrifice.”

B. “Spiritual act of worship.”

C. “Transformed by renewing minds.”

D. Vs 2 – We discover God’s will by

E. Vs 3-8 – The body.

F. Vs 9-21 – How to get along:

VI. Romans 13 –

VII. Romans 14 – Differentiate between essential and disputable issues.

VIII. Romans 15 –

IX. Romans 16 – Say “hi!”

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Preparation for next week: Read James - 2 Peter