The Book of Romans How to be Right with God

(Romans 15:14-33 pt. 1)

The Practical Application from our Justification:

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"The Value of the Local Church and the Opportunity in Their Region"

Outline:

- 1. The Apostle's Purpose vv. 14-16
- 2. The Apostle's Praise vv. 17-21
- 3. The Apostle's Plans vv. 22-29
- 4. The Apostle's Prayer vv. 30-33

Preliminary Consideration:

- The local church is God's design in this dispensation.
- The local church is to be founded on Apostolic teaching.
- The local church is to be united in the positional truths accomplished by Christ.
- The local church is to be demonstrating its unity in $\alpha\gamma\alpha\pi\epsilon$ love.
- The believers in the LC are to exercise their spiritual gifts for mutual edification of the body.

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- Observation:
 - Commendation v. 14
 - •"now"
 - •"I myself"
 - "am confident concerning you, by brethren"
 - "that you also are full":
 - ≻"of goodness"
 - ➤"with all knowledge"
 - ≻ "able also to admonish one another"

Observation:

- Correction v. 15
 - "Nevertheless"
 - "I have written more boldly to you on some points"

► Doctrine of Justification chs. 1-11

Agape love chs. 12-14 (Spiritual gifts, loving those in the church, loving those outside of the church, submission to government, liberty issues.)

• "reminding you, because of the grace given to me by God"

Observation:

- Calling Gentiles v. 16

- •That I might minister:
 - ≻"of Christ Jesus"
 - ≻"to the Gentiles"
 - ➤"the gospel of God"

"that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable""sanctified by the Holy Spirit"

Summary/Application:

- The church at Rome is doing well in general.
- The points Paul has made is to shore up their deficiencies.
- What are the deficiencies at FBC?
- Are we "shoring up" those deficiencies?

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- Observation:
- The reasons for boasting v. 17
 - "Therefore"
 - "I have reason to glory in Jesus Christ"
 - "in the things which pertain to God"

* Is boasting wrong? Not when it is in the work of God through us.

Observation:

- The substance of boasting vv. 18-19
 - "I will not dare to speak of any of those things"
 - "which Christ has not accomplished through me"
 - "in word and deed, to make the Gentiles obedient"
 - "in mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God"
 - "so that from Jerusalem and round about to Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ."





Observation:

- The places of ministry vv. 20-21

• "so I have made it my aim to preach the gospel,"

• "not where Christ is named"

"lest I should build on another man's foundation"Quotation of Is. 52:15

Summary/Application:

- Paul was instrumental in bringing entire Gentile regions to faith.
- Paul ONLY glories in the things God did through him.
- The Church should glean outreach principles from Paul, who was obviously successful.
- Believers should make themselves usable towards God in the same way Paul did.





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