

The Truth That Transforms: The Book Of Romans
“The Truth Of The Gospel” Romans 1:1-16
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Big Idea: If we want real life change, we must allow God’s Word to transform us.

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The Truth Of The Gospel:

1. God Promised Long Ago Who The Savior Of The World Would Be

“This letter is from Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus, chosen by God to be an apostle and sent out to preach His **Good News**. God **promised** this **Good News** long ago through **His prophets** in the holy Scriptures. **Romans 1:1-2 (NLT2)**

“He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, “This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.” **Luke 24:44-47 (NIV)**

The Savior:

1. Born in Bethlehem. *Micah 5:2*
2. Will come while the Temple of Jerusalem is still standing. *Psalms 118:26; Daniel 9:26; Zechariah 11:13*
3. Will pay the penalty for our sins. *Isaiah 53:4-6*
4. Will have a messenger prepare the way for the Him. *Malachi 3:1*
5. Will enter Jerusalem as a king riding on a donkey. *Zechariah 9:9*
6. Will be betrayed by a friend. *Zechariah 13:6*
7. Will be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver. *Zechariah 11:12, Psalm 41*
8. The betrayal money will be used to purchase a potter’s field. *Zechariah 11:13*
9. Will die by having His hands and feet pierced. *Psalms 22:16*
10. Will not have a bone broken. *Psalms 34:20*
11. Will have His side pierced. *Zechariah 12:10*
12. Will have soldiers gamble for his clothes. *Psalms 22:18*
13. Will be buried with the rich. *Isaiah 53:9*

Peter Stoner, “Science Speaks” Moody Press, 1958

- ✓ 108 specific prophecies were fulfilled in Jesus’ first coming.
- ✓ The probability that 8 of these would be fulfilled in one person 1 in 10¹⁷.
- ✓ The probability that 48 of these would be fulfilled is 1 in 10¹⁵⁷.

Notes: _____

2. Jesus Rising From The Dead Unmistakably Proves He Is The Son Of God

“The Good News is about his Son, **Jesus**. In his earthly life he was born into King David’s family line, and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was **raised from the dead** by the power of the Holy Spirit. **He is Jesus Christ our Lord.**”

Romans 1:3-4 (NLT2)

“For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.”

1 Corinthians 15:3-6 (NIV)

Notes: _____

3. Salvation & Transformation Is For Everyone Who Puts Their Trust In Jesus

“Through **Christ**, God has given us the privilege and authority as apostles to tell Gentiles everywhere **what God has done** for them, so that they will **believe** and **obey** him, bringing glory to His name. And you are included among those Gentiles who have been called to **belong to Jesus Christ**. I am writing to all of you in Rome who are **loved by God** and are called **to be His own holy people**. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you **grace and peace.**”

Romans 1:5-7 (NLT2)

“For I am **not ashamed** of this Good News about **Christ**. It is the **power of God** at work, **saving everyone who believes**—the Jew first and also the Gentile. This Good News tells us how **God makes us right in His sight**. This is accomplished from start to finish **by faith**. As the Scriptures say, “It is through **faith** that a righteous person has life.” **Romans 1:15-17 (NLT2)**

Notes: _____

➤ **Have you placed your trust in Jesus to save you and transform you?**

“If you **confess** with your mouth that **Jesus is Lord** and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” **Romans 10:9 (NLT2)**

My next right step I will:

[] Accept Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord

[] Share Jesus with someone this week

[] Follow Jesus in Believer’s Baptism May 2, 2021

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Icebreaker for families: What is one place that you have never seen but would like to visit?

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Read Romans 1:1-3

What is the good news?

How does God assure us that there is only one Savior of the world?

Review and discuss some of the prophecies of the Savior.

The Savior:

1. The Savior would be born of the seed of a woman. *Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 7:14*
2. The Savior will come through the lineage of Shem. *Genesis 9-10*
Noah had how many sons? _____
3. Descendant of Abraham. *Genesis 12; 17; 22; 25:1,6*
4. Descendant of Isaac. *Genesis 17; 21* Abraham had how many sons? _____
5. Descendant of Jacob. *Genesis 28; 35:10-12; Numbers 24:17*
6. Descendant of tribe of Judah. *Isaiah 11:1-5* Jacob had how many sons? _____
7. The line of Jesse. *Isaiah 11:1-5*
8. The house of David. *2 Samuel 7:12-16* Jesse had how many sons? _____
In this short lineage, what is the mathematical equation starting with David?
The lineage of the Savior narrows by 1/8 (David) of _____ of _____ of _____ of _____
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How helpful is this study of prophecy in assuring you that Jesus is the Savior of the world?

2. Jesus Rising From The Dead Unmistakably Proves He Is The Son Of God Read Romans 1:3-4 and 1 Corinthians 15:1-6

Why is the resurrection of Jesus so important for our faith?

3. Salvation & Transformation Is For Everyone Who Puts Their Trust In Jesus Read Romans 1:5-7 and Romans 1:16-17

What truths about Jesus Christ does Paul proclaim?

When did you first place your trust in Jesus to save you from your sins?

Review Romans 12:2 as a Remember Verse.

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How has God been changing you from the inside out?

Where would you like Him to help you this week?

Close in Prayer: **Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.**
