

# Read Through the New Testament in 2009

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## ➔ MONDAY, JUNE 29TH, 2009

- ROMANS 5:12-21
- PAUL SAYS THAT SIN ENTERED THE WORLD THROUGH ONE MAN. WHO IS THAT MAN?

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- THE GIFT OF GOD'S GRACE ALSO CAME THROUGH ONE MAN. WHO WAS THAT MAN?
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## ➔ TUESDAY, JUNE 30TH, 2009

- ROMANS 6:1-14
- WE ARE NO LONGER TO BE SLAVES TO WHAT?

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- PAUL SAYS SIN IS NO LONGER OUR MASTER - WHO IS?
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## ➔ WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2009

- ROMANS 6:15-23
- WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO BE SLAVES TO SIN?

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- HOW CAN WE GET GOD'S GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE?
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➔ THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2009

○ ROMANS 7:1-13

- PAUL SAYS THE LAW MAKES US AWARE OF OUR SINS. HOW DO WE LEARN GOD'S LAWS?

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- IS PAUL SAYING THAT THE LAW IS A GOOD THING OR A BAD THING?

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➔ FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2009

○ ROMANS 7:14-25

- WHAT DOES PAUL MEAN WHEN HE SAYS "WHAT I WANT TO DO I DO NOT DO, BUT WHAT I HATE I DO"?

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- HOW CAN WE KEEP FROM DOING THINGS WE KNOW WE SHOULDN'T DO?

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# Romans Chapter 1

## Background:

The Book of Romans is actually a letter (also called an *epistle*) written by the apostle Paul to the Christians in Rome. Because we know that everything in the Bible is 'God-breathed' (meaning inspired by God, and put there because He wants us to know it) we know that it is also a letter from God to us! Paul wrote the letter while he was in Corinth (Greece) during his third missionary journey. He traveled more than 10,000 miles over a twenty year period, going from town-to-town and country-to-country preaching the Gospel of Jesus!

## Verses 1- 6

In verses 1-6 Paul introduces himself to the Romans. He tells them of his qualifications to share the Gospel (he's a servant of Christ, called to be an apostle) as well as Christ's authority (Son of God prophesied about in scripture, descendant of King David, resurrected from the dead).

## Verse 7

Paul's greeting to the Romans (*remember*, this is a *letter*).

## Verses 8-10

These verses are meant to be an encouragement to the Roman believers. Paul says he's hearing good things about them, and is always praying for them.

## Verses 11-13

Paul wants to go to Rome to teach and encourage the Roman Christians, as well as share the Gospel with the many unsaved Romans. Rome is about 600 miles from where Paul is writing his letter (Corinth), and God will lead him many other places before Paul finally gets to Rome about three years later. This is a good lesson for us; sometimes we want the same things God wants for us, but we want them NOW. We need to be patient and trust God's timing.

## Verses 14-15

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## Verses 16-17

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## Romans Chapter 1 (continued)

### Verses 18-20

We are all sinners, and many will choose to reject God's gift of salvation through His son Jesus. But nobody can claim the he or she didn't know God exists, because His creation reveals (makes it clear) that He does exist.

### Verses 21-23

Even though God has revealed Himself to everyone through creation, many have still rejected Him.

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