

A Survey of Romans 1-3

“Salvation for All through Jesus Alone”

(Romans 1-3)

- Introduction:
1. The book of Romans is both a book of theology as well as a book practical exhortation.
 2. It contains a systematic explanation of the gospel, and a practical guide to living in light of the gospel.
 3. In tonight’s lesson, I would like to survey the first three chapters and pick out some point that I think may be helpful to you.

I. Book ends

- A. (Romans 1:5; Romans 16:26).
- B. Obedience to the faith.
- C. Romans is far from a dissertation on “faith alone.”

II. The “I Am” Statements of Paul

- A. (Romans 1:14-16).
 1. I am a debtor (Romans 1:14).
 2. I am ready (Romans 1:15).
 3. I am not ashamed (Romans 1:16).
- B. These “I Am” statements should be true of us as well.

III. God Gave Them Up/Over

- A. (Romans 1:24, 26, 28).
- B. Sometimes people steeped in their own will need to experience the consequences of their decisions.
- C. Sometimes people have to hit “bottom” before they listen.

IV. Advantage Doesn’t Equate to Holiness

- A. (Romans 3:1-3).
- B. Knowing and doing and preaching and practicing are two different matters (Romans 2:17-24).
- C. The Jews were just as guilty as the Gentiles (Romans 2:1-3).

V. All Stand Condemned, But Find Hope In Jesus

- A. (Romans 3:9-10, 23).
- B. Because of Jesus death, God can remain “just” and be the “justifier” of men (Romans 3:25-26).

- Conclusion:
1. We’re all sinners.
 2. And if we are to be saved, we can only be saved through Jesus Christ.
 3. What will you do?