Romans 1-8

Summary

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Introduction

- "A good Roman can go anywhere"
- Romans is foundational
- Romans sets out the Gospel of salvation
- Paul would have liked to visit
- Believers need to know the gospel



Division

Romans 1-8

The Gospel of salvation

1:1 – 5:11 Jusitification5:12 – ch. 8 Deliverance

Romans 9-11

Dispensational

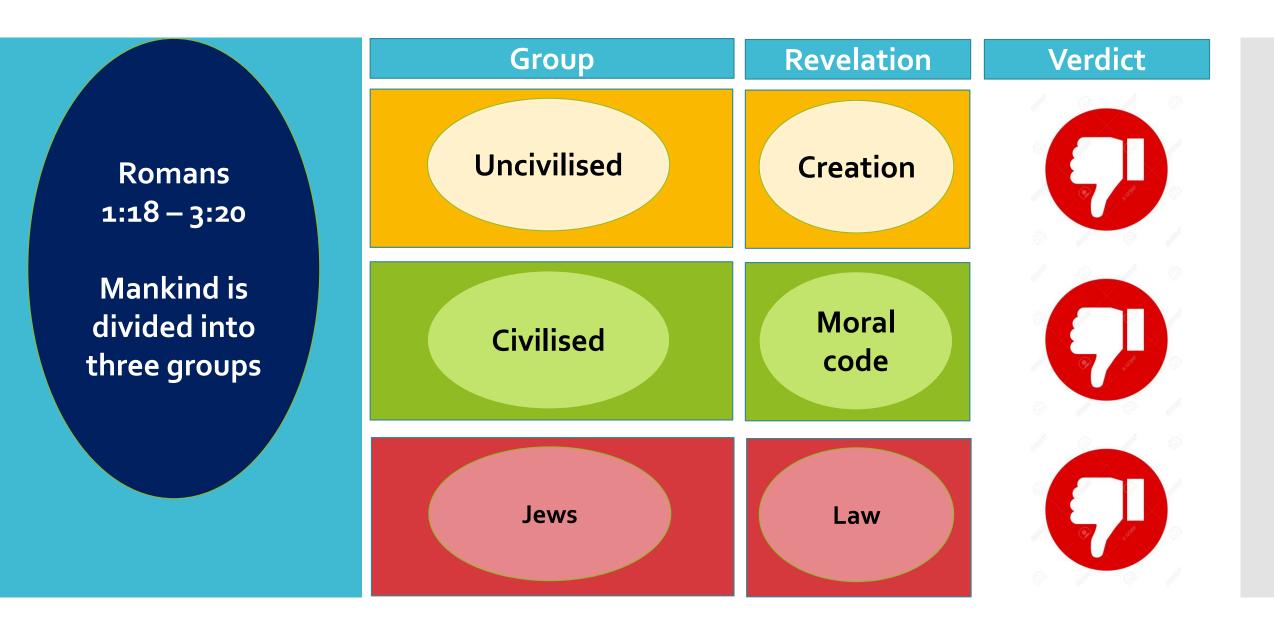
Romans 12-16

Practical



The Gospel

- ·Is "good news"
- Is despised because it says:
 - Man is hopelessly lost
 - Man can't do anything to help himself
- But:
 - Provides salvation
 - Reveals God's righteousness!
 - God pardons the guilty but remains righteous!



Romans 3:21-31: God's solution: Christ the Mercy Seat



Romans 4:

Some Objections...

But what about OT saints?

...answered





But what about circumcision?

Abraham was justified – before circumcision

What about the law?

Abraham was justified – before the law (and independently of it)

Romans 5: 1-11

Consequences of justification

Past: peace with God

Present: favour

Future: hope of glory

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In hope (v.2)

In tribulations (v.3)

In God (v.11)

Romans 5: 12 - ch 8

The problem of "sin"



A new Head

A new Master

Died - with - Christ!

A new Husband

The Doctrine of Deliverance: 6 logical Steps



The Doctrine of Deliverance: Summary

Delivered from Delivered from The Spirit as the law: the power of sin: power \rightarrow by death → by death



Romans 7:7-25 is a (necessary ?) detour



The "I" of Romans 7 discovers 7 points

- The law / legalism can help me to please the Lord
- It can only point out my sins (v.7ff.).
- In my own strength I can only fail (Rom. 3 7:15.16.19).
- In my flesh i.e. in what I am naturally NO GOOD DWELLS (v.18)

God is only right if He condemns me (Rom 7:12.).

4 Not I commit sins, but the old nature within me (v.17)

I need a deliverer (Rom 7:24).

New position: in Christ

- My old nature already judged
- I can live the power of the Spirit

1. I am in Christ and the Spirit dwells in me

Romans 8

- New position
- New power
- God has judged sin
- The flesh can't please God
- Ultimate deliverance: risen

2. Despite the wonderful new position we are still part of (groaning) creation – but:

- The Spirit's help
- The coming glory

Romans 8

Leader (v 14),
Witness (v15).
Firstfruits (v 23),
Helper (v 26),
Intercessor (v27).

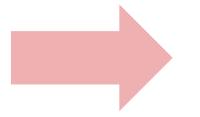
3. God is for us

Romans 8

All things work together for good

- Foreknown
- Predestined
- Called
- Justified
- Glorified

God spared not his Son



He will give us all with Him

What God has made...

 I am in Christ and the Spirit dwells in me

Of us

Romans 8

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In us

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for us

A life of liberty