



# The Book of Romans

## How to be Right with God

(Romans 1:1-7)

Romans 1:8-13

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but they're worth the effort!

# Outline, Romans 1:1-7

1. Paul
2. The Gospel
3. Jesus
4. The Apostles
5. Believers in Rome



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“Encouragement is the kind of expression  
that helps someone  
want to be a better Christian,  
even when life is tough.”

Larry Crabb, Encouragement, p. 10)

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  - ✓ Paul commended them for their testimony



## Some Characteristics of Good Relationships...

- They Are Built On the Foundation Of Serving God, 9.
  - ✓ Recognition of Accountability to God, 9..."For God is my witness..."
  - ✓ Common foundation of serving God!
  - ✓ Commonality of the gospel!
  - ✓ Submission to the Will of God, 10

## Some Characteristics of Good Relationships...

- They Are Nurtured By Constant Prayer For One another, 8-10
  - ✓ Thanksgiving, 8.
  - ✓ Prayers, 10.
  - ✓ Making request (deomai ⇔ δέομαι)  
Urgent request for a pressing need!

## Some Characteristics of Good Relationships...

- They Reflect Our Longing For Connection, 11-12.
  - ✓ Paul Longed to see them, 11.
  - ✓ “together with you...while among you,” 12

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- They Always Involve Mutual Ministry, 11-12.
  - ✓ Ministering ones spiritual gift, 11.
  - ✓ Seeking to see each other established, 11

We proclaim Him, admonishing every man  
and teaching every man  
with all wisdom,  
**so that we may present  
every man complete in Christ.**

For this purpose also I labor,  
striving according to His power,  
which mightily works within me.

Colossians 1:28-29

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- They Thrive In An Atmosphere of Shared Information, 13.

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- Serving God Together,
- Constant Prayer.
- Longing for Connection
- Mutual Ministry
- Shared Information

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