PAUL'S LOVE FOR THE SAINTS IN ROME?

Romans 1:8-15

I. "First, I Thank My God ..." – vs. 8a

Protos – first in time or place; first in rank

Eucharistéō - to be grateful, feel thankful; give thanks

1 Corinthians 1:4

Ephesians 1:15-16

Philippians 1:3-5

Colossians 1:3-4

1 Thessalonians 1:2-4

2 Thessalonians 1:3-5

1 Timothy 1:12-15

2 Timothy 1:3-5

Philemon 1:4-5

John 14:6

1 Timothy 2:5

Hebrews 4:16

Romans 8:15

II. For Their Faith – vs. 8b

Ephesians 2:8-10

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

James 2:14-26

III. Paul <u>Serves</u> with His <u>Spirit</u> in the Gospel – vs. 9a

 $Latreu\bar{o}$ - to render religious service or homage, to worship; to perform sacred services, to offer gifts, to worship God in the observance of the rites instituted for his worship.

Luke 2:37

Acts 24:14

Philippians 3:3

Romans 12:1-2

IV. Paul <u>Prays</u> for Them – vs. 9b

Ephesians 3:14-19

Philippians 1:9-11

Colossians 1:9-11

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

V. Paul Prays to be <u>Used</u> – vs. 10

Matthew 9:35-38

James 4:13-16

VI. Mutual Edification Desired – vs. 11-12

Colossians 1:28-29

2 Corinthians 12:14-15

1 Thessalonians 2:7-9

Ephesians 4:15

Philippians 3:12-14

VII. Desire to Bear Fruit – vs. 13

Karpós- fruit, product, result, gain

John 15:16

Philippians 4:16-17

Romans 6:22

VIII.A <u>Debtor</u> to All People – vs. 14-15

Opheilétēs - debtor, someone under obligation

Matthew 18:24

1 Corinthians 9:16-17

Galatians 3:28

Acts 20:22-24

Philippians 2:30

Closing Thought: The Apostle Paul was all about the Gospel and Christ's Church. He desired to be used of God to spread the Gospel and he loved God's people even before he knew them. Are you imitating Paul as he imitates Christ?