

Rehoboth Reformed Church

Thoroughly Equipped Radio Program Outline September 15, 2013

Title: Why is Righteousness Important?

Main Point. Why is righteousness important? Because God is righteous and holy. Furthermore, according to the Apostle Paul, the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ by which we are saved from the wrath an curse of God is understood as "the righteousness of God revealed" (Romans 1:17).

Bible Study Methods. The Bible contains different types of styles or literary types (genres) and each follows a set of characteristics. So when we open the book of Romans, we find that it is structured in the form of a letter. How does this help us as we study this book?

- I. The nature of a letter in the time of the New Testament
- II. The theme of the book of Romans is the righteousness of God revealed
- III. The book of Romans can be divided in 3 parts Guilty, Grace, & Gratitude

Outline of the Book of Romans:

- A. The Gospel: God's righteousness revealed (1-8)
 - 1) Paul's opening statements and reasons (1:1-17)
 - 2) God's righteousness needed by man (1:18-3:20)
 - 3) God's righteousness imputed by faith (3:31-5:21)
 - 4) God's righteousness imparted by the working of the Holy Spirit (6-8)
- B. The Jews: God's righteousness defended (9-11)
- C. Walk by faith: God's righteousness applied (12-15:13)
- D. Conclusion (15:14-16:27)

Preparations for next Sunday's program: We will continue our study in the letter of the Apostle Paul to the Romans. In preparations, please begin to read the first chapter and ask yourself, what is Paul's main purpose for writing this letter? What is his main point?