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SERMON SERIES

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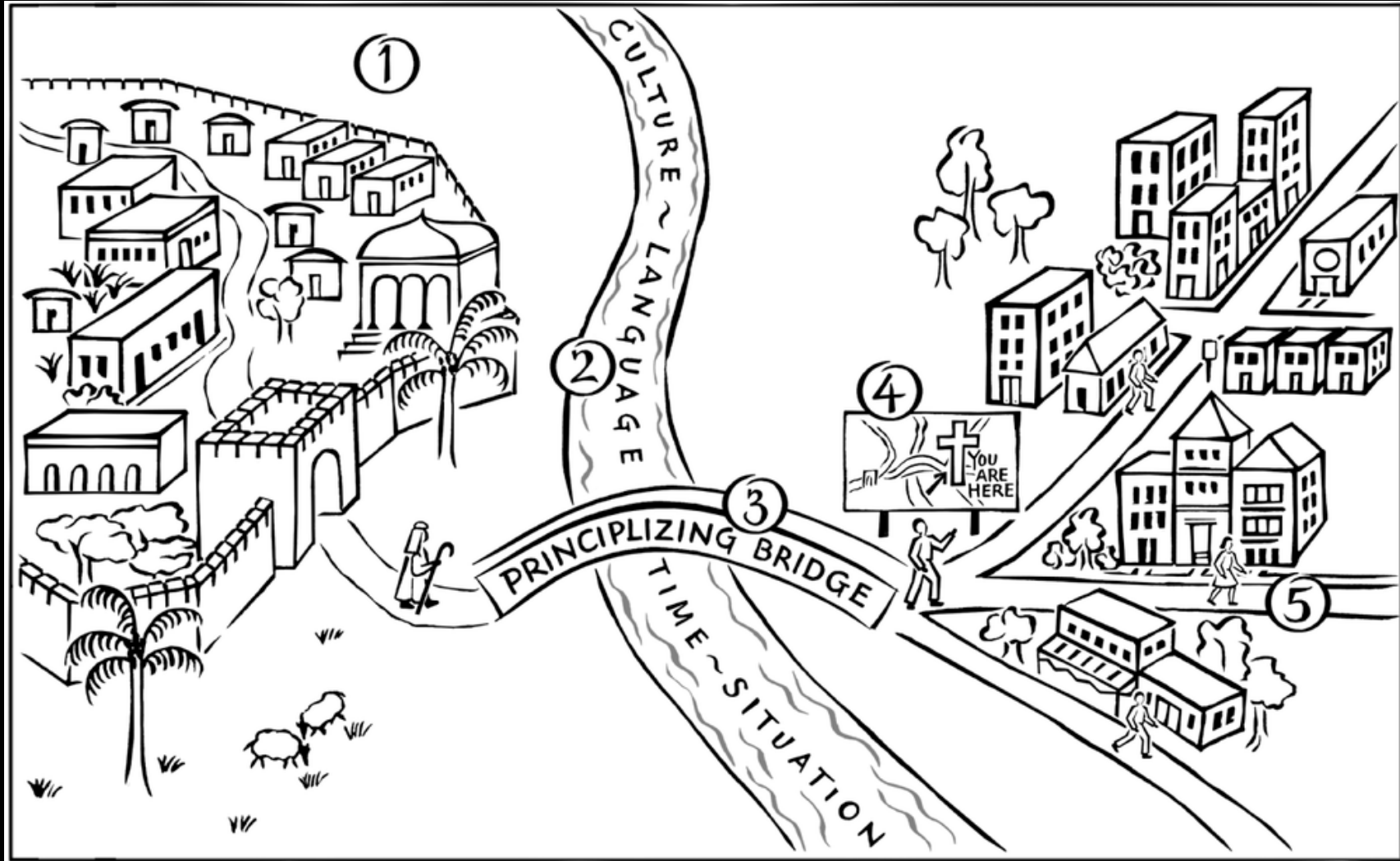


THE GOOD NEWS

Three Weeks Ago

“Paul & Rome”

Romans 1:1 & 7



Romans 1:1

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God



Romans 1:7

⁷To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called
to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ.

Last Week's Sermon
"The Gospel Beforehand"
Romans 1:1-7

What is the main point of Romans?

Popular Question:

“How can a loving God send anyone to hell?”

Paul’s Question:

“How can a just God allow anyone in heaven?”

Obedience of Faith

Romans 1:7

⁵ **through whom** we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, ⁶ including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

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This Week's Sermon
"Thankful For All of You"
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Let's continue to get to know one another better!

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- 2) Show up for Sunday gatherings: teaching of God's Word, Worshiping together, Celebrating the Lord's Table, Seeing and being seen by one another, Hearing and being heard by one another.

In all the World...

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Pray without Ceasing

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Acts 16:6-10

⁶ And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. ⁷ And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. ⁸ So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. ⁹ And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰ And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.



Paul and Company Directed to Troas and Europe, Acts 16:6-10

Software from Oaktree Software, Inc. used to develop this map

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“What a strange statement to make! I am bound or I am a debtor. What does he owe the Greeks? What does Paul owe the non-Greeks? What does he owe to the wise? What does he owe to the foolish? Surely the obligation was on their side, to show honor and obedience to Paul? Surely they should be rushing across the plains of Asia Minor to sign up for courses in the school of the apostle Paul.”

Sproul, R. C. (1994). *The Gospel of God: An Exposition of Romans* (pp. 26–27). Great Britain: Christian Focus Publications.



“Paul understood that he was an apostle simply by the grace of God and that it was an unspeakable privilege for him to have that office. He realized that once Christ had commissioned him to carry the gospel throughout the world, to the Greeks, to the non-Greeks, to the wise, to the foolish, to the lettered and the unlettered, to the great and the small, he was under obligation to fulfil his calling. Love of Christ constrained him to carry out his commission.”

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Gospel Application

Let's encourage one another, let's fight sin with one another, and let's share the gospel with one another