

SERMON SERIES

Romans 1:1

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

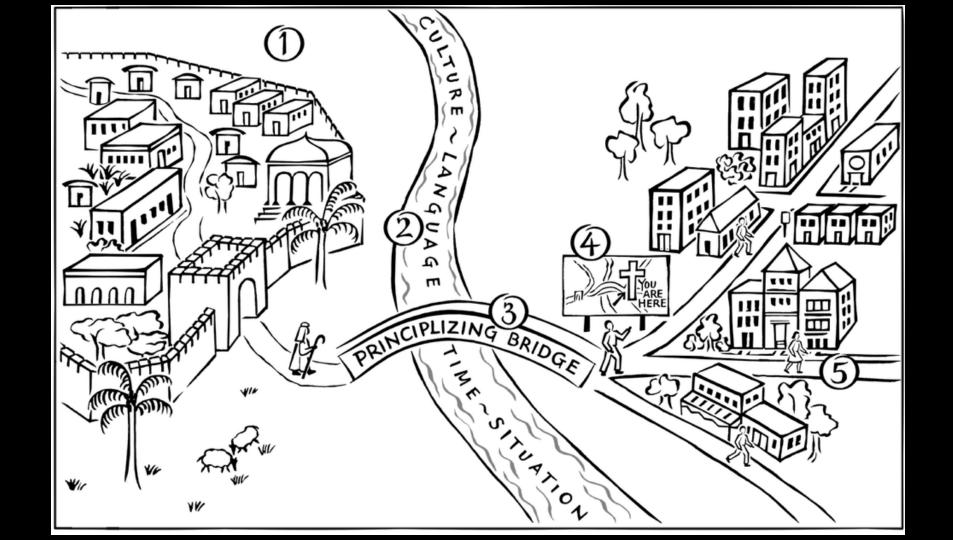
What is the main point of Romans?

Popular Question:

"How can a loving God send anyone to hell?"

Paul's Question:

"How can a just God allow anyone in heaven?"



Last Week's Sermon: The Kindness of God Romans 2:1-4

This Week's Sermon: Be Perfect Romans 2:5-11

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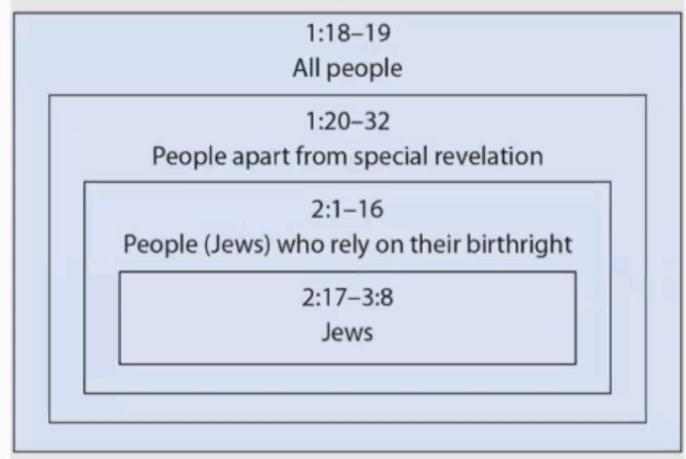
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Paul's Subject in Romans 1:18-3:8: All People



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- ⁶He will render to each one according to his works: ⁷ to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; ⁸ but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.

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Philippians 3:4-8

⁴ though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.



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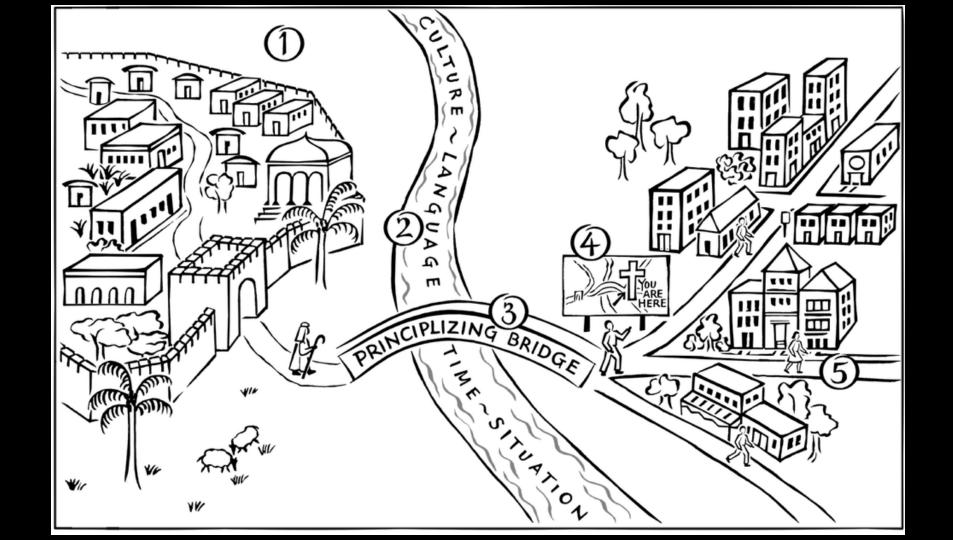
Is there any part of us that thinks are good works make us better?

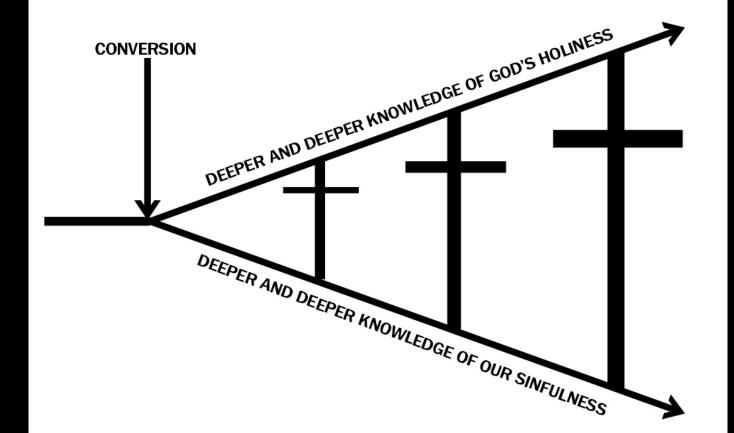
Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7 forward is about the Kingdom of God

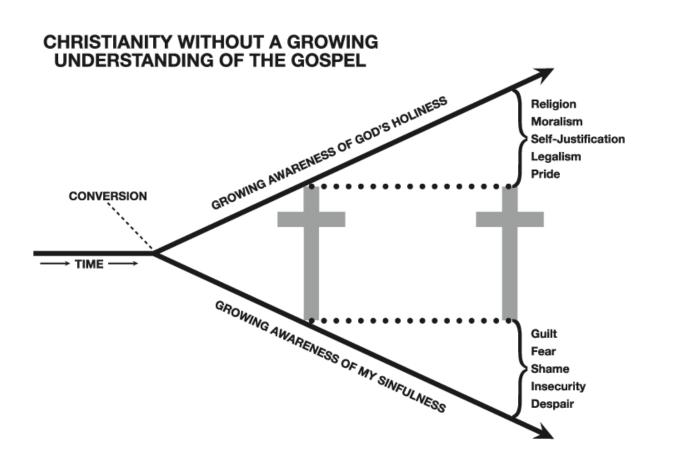
Backwards is the Kingdom of Man

Matthew 5:43-48

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.







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Gospel Application

What sin/s do I think are respectable or better than others?