

# Compelled

Romans 1a

Apostle Paul, c. 1657  
by Rembrandt

*Rome*

Justified by Faith  
Romans 3:28

**El Capitan**

William Henry Jackson's 1899 photograph

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# Rome's 44 Provinces

## Masters of Government

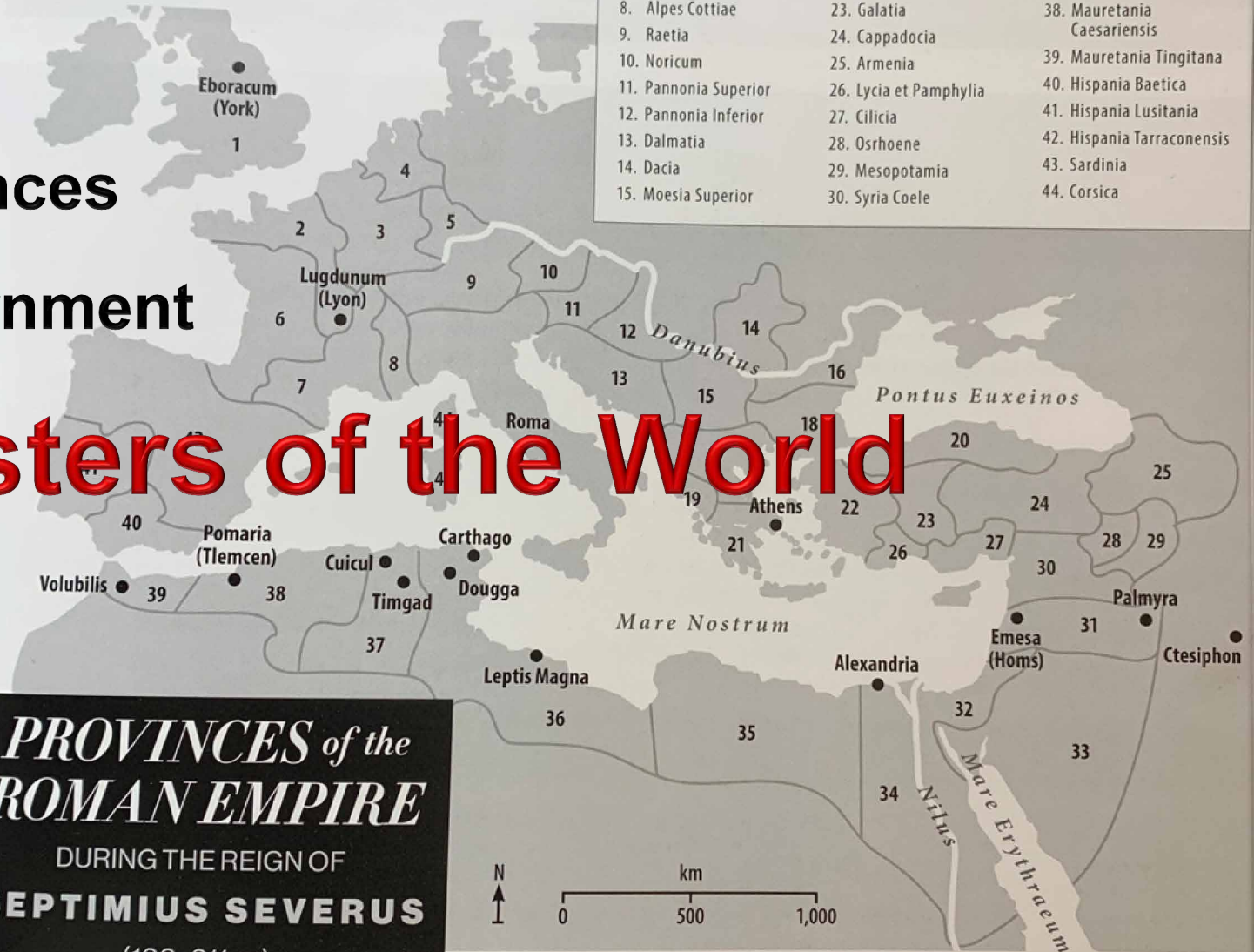
# Masters of the World

### *PROVINCES of the ROMAN EMPIRE*

DURING THE REIGN OF  
**SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS**

(193-211 CE)

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|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Britannia          | 16. Moesia Inferior    | 31. Syria Phoenice             |
| 2. Gallia Lugdunensis | 17. Macedonia          | 32. Syria Palaestina           |
| 3. Gallia Belgica     | 18. Thracia            | 33. Syria Arabia               |
| 4. Germania Inferior  | 19. Epirus Vetus       | 34. Aegyptus                   |
| 5. Germania Superior  | 20. Bithynia et Pontus | 35. Creta et Cyrenaica         |
| 6. Gallia Aquitania   | 21. Achaea             | 36. Africa Proconsularis       |
| 7. Gallia Narbonensis | 22. Asia               | 37. Numidia                    |
| 8. Alpes Cottiae      | 23. Galatia            | 38. Mauretania<br>Caesariensis |
| 9. Raetia             | 24. Cappadocia         | 39. Mauretania Tingitana       |
| 10. Noricum           | 25. Armenia            | 40. Hispania Baetica           |
| 11. Pannonia Superior | 26. Lycia et Pamphylia | 41. Hispania Lusitania         |
| 12. Pannonia Inferior | 27. Cilicia            | 42. Hispania Tarraconensis     |
| 13. Dalmatia          | 28. Osroene            | 43. Sardinia                   |
| 14. Dacia             | 29. Mesopotamia        | 44. Corsica                    |
| 15. Moesia Superior   | 30. Syria Coele        |                                |





Reformer Martin Luther, 1483-1546,

“This epistle is really the **chief** part of the New Testament and is truly the **purest** gospel.... Every Christian should know it word for word, by heart ... as the daily bread of the soul.”



Reformer John Calvin, 1509-1564, said the theme of Romans:

“Man’s only righteousness is the mercy of God in Christ ... received by **FAITH**.... understanding of this Epistle, we have an open door to all the most profound treasures of Scripture.”

Often quoted Puritan Thomas Draxe, d. 1618, said Romans is the

**“Quintessence of perfection of saving doctrine”**



A wide-angle photograph of Yosemite Valley. In the foreground, a dense forest of green and brown trees covers the valley floor. In the background, steep, rocky mountains rise, with the prominent, sheer face of El Capitan visible on the right. A red arrow originates from a blue text box on the right and points towards El Capitan. The top of the image shows a row of arches, likely part of a bridge or tunnel, with light shining through them.

## Yosemite Valley

- If the Yosemite Valley is the New Testament
- Then El Capitan is the book of Romans
- Rocky ... not the most beautiful
- Yet alone, stunning
- Only for the daring



## Explore the Bible Study Plan 2015-23

Year	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
2015-16	Genesis 1-24	Matthew 1-13	Acts 1-12	1 Samuel
2016-17	1,2 Peter & Jude	Joshua, Judges Ruth	Matthew 14-28	Psalms
2017-18	Exodus & Lev.	Acts 13-28	1, 2 Corinthians	2 Samuel
2018-19	Galatians & James	Genesis 25-50	Mark	1,2 Timothy & Titus
2019-20	Ephesians	Numbers & Deut.	Romans	Proverbs & S of S
2020-21	4 Minor Prophets Am, Hos, Jon, Mic	Luke part 1	Luke part 2	Job & Ecclesiastes
2021-22	Philippians, Col. & Philemon	Ezekiel & Daniel	1,2 Thessalonians	1,2 Kings (2 Chron)
2022-23	Isaiah	John part 1	John part 2	Jeremiah & Lamentations

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|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| ★ 1. Compelled     | 1:1-17 & 15:14 to 16:27 | Salutation/Epilogue  |
| 2. Guilty          | 1:18-32                 | Wrath vs. Revelation |
| 3. No Favorites    | 2:1-29                  | God Judges Heart     |
| 4. Justified, pt 1 | 3:1 to 4:25             | Justified by Faith   |
| 5. Justified, pt 2 | 3:21 to 3:31            | Justified by Faith   |
| 6. Chapters 5-15   |                         |                      |





**When you see ...**



**See the WORK ...**



# When you see ...

Some have  
given their  
★ **LIVES** ★  
to the study  
of Romans



Apostle Paul, c. 1657  
by Rembrandt



All Roads lead to Rome ... they say ...

All of Romans leads **to** and **from 3:28**

Romans 3:28

**KJV** Therefore we conclude that a man is justified  
by FAITH without the deeds of the law.

**NIV** For we maintain that a person is justified  
by FAITH apart from the works of the law.

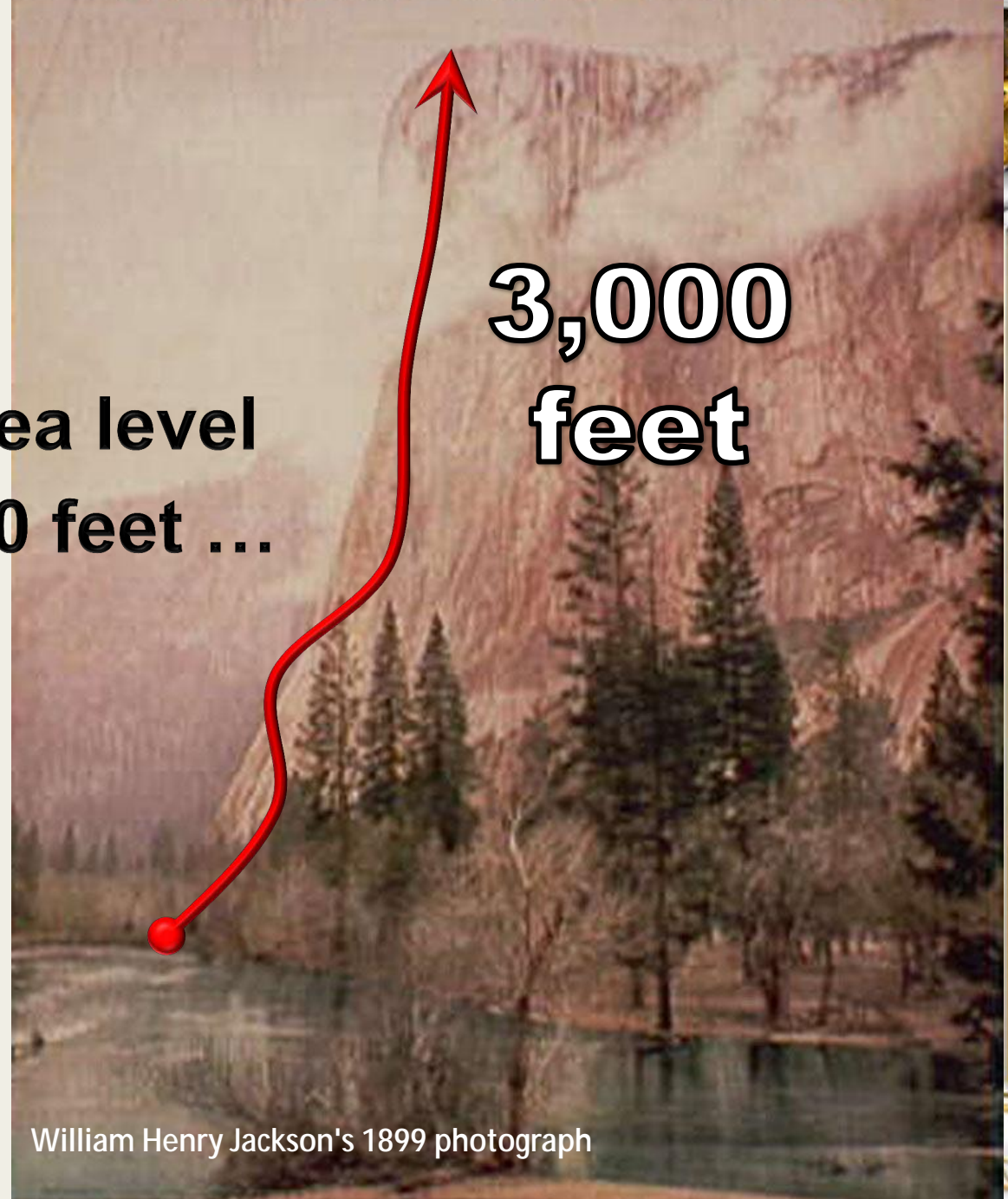
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... and how to apply this verse

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**El Capitan ...**  
***the Captain ... the Chief***

**In the Yosemite Valley**  
**Top is 7,573 feet above sea level**  
**Prominence itself is 3,000 feet ...**  
**Nearly straight up ^**



William Henry Jackson's 1899 photograph





## El Capitan

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Directions



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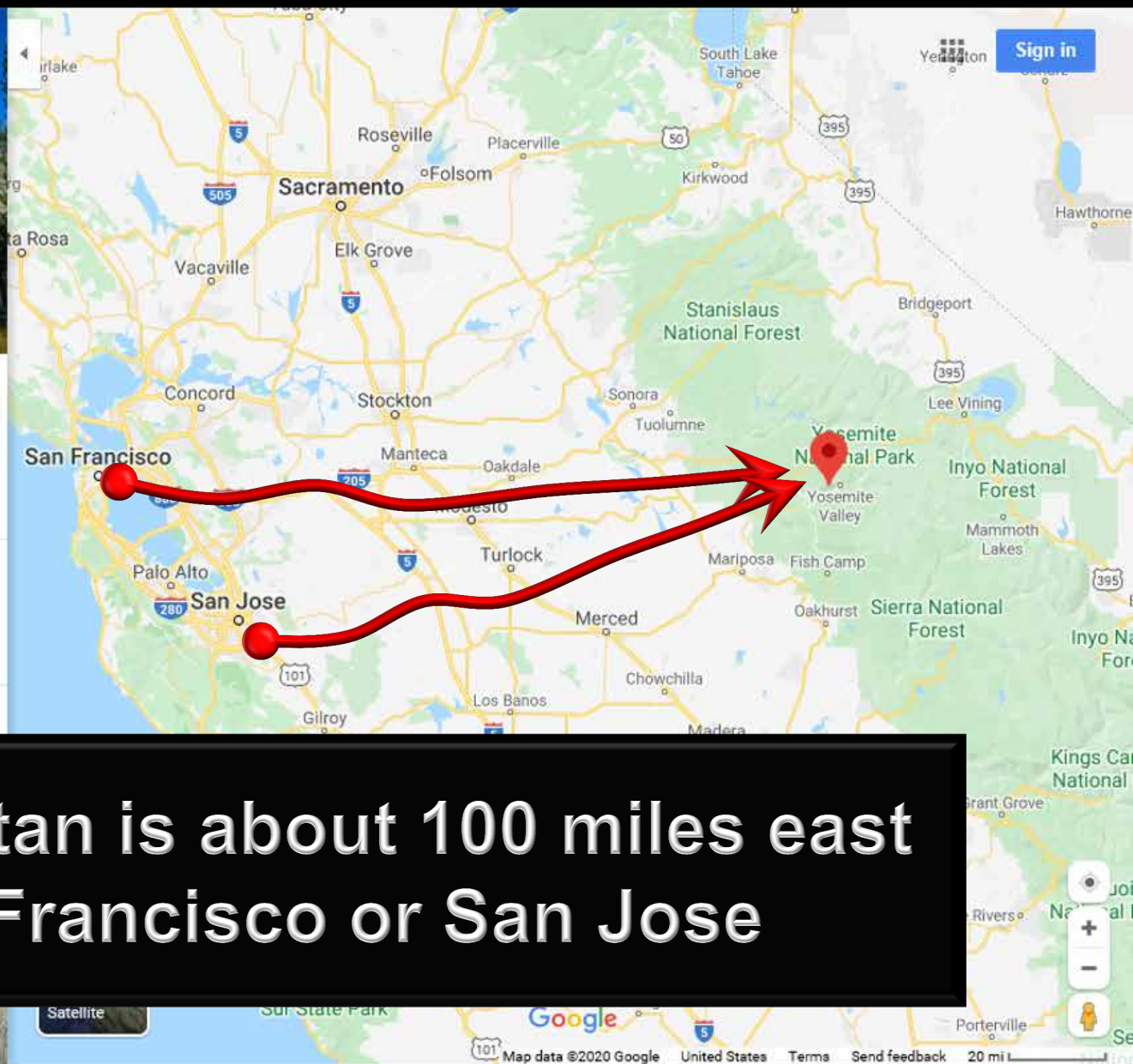
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Iconic glacial rock known for its near-vertical climbing route & sweeping peak views.



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## Photos



El Capitan is about 100 miles east of San Francisco or San Jose



# El Capitan

- People climb it
- Paths Names
- “The Nose” is most notable route
- 47 days in 1958 w ropes
- 1st solo in 1 day was in 1975







*Video clip from ...* Star Trek V – The Final Frontier, 1989





# El Capitan at night

- Climb & Cling & Camp
- Coffee on the Cliff
- Caffeine for dah Climb
- Climbing to Claim Capitan
- Curiously Cleft Clinging
- Care to Climb Capitan?



# Romans 3:28

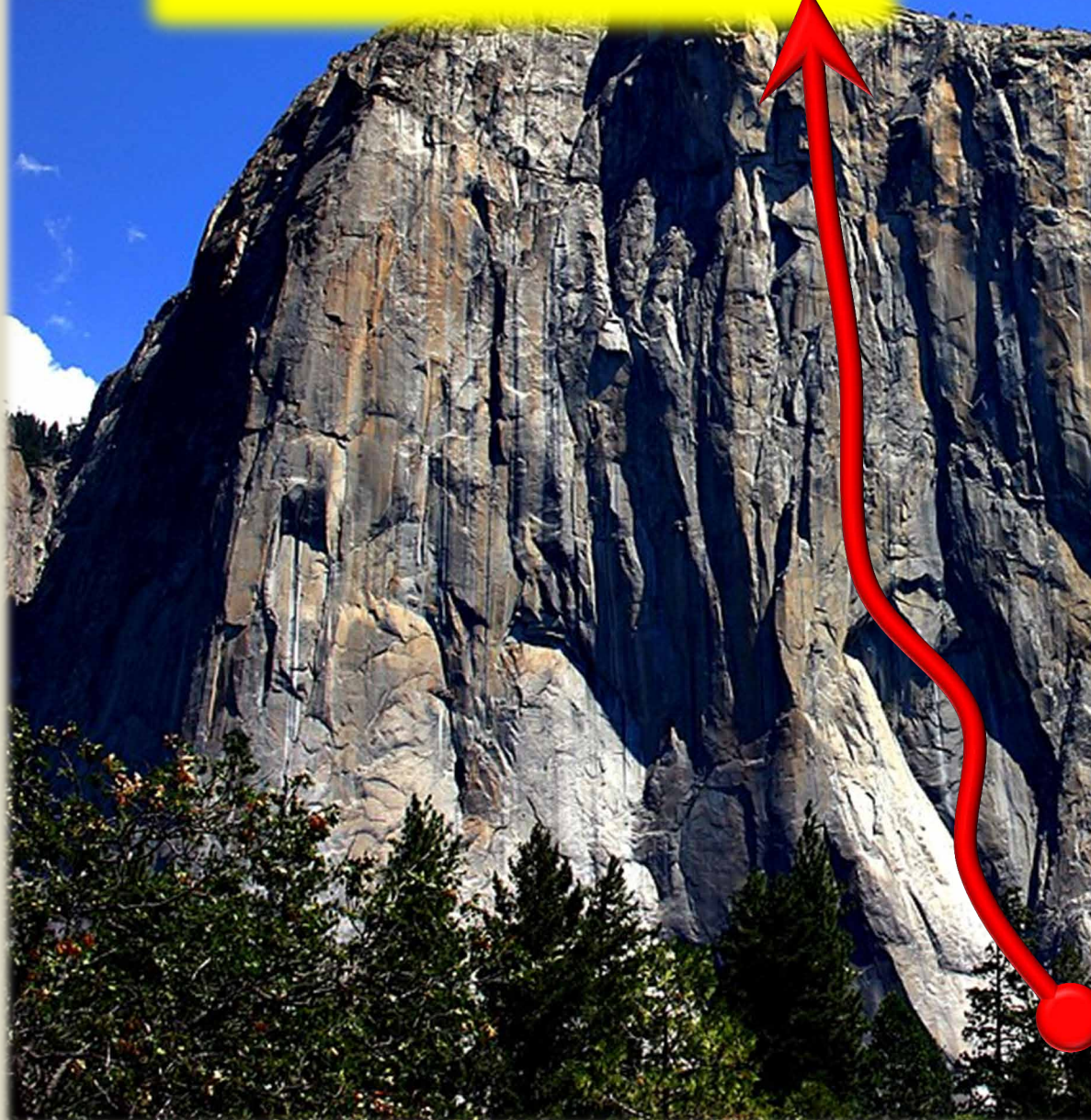
## El Capitan

- if Romans is El Capitan of the New Testament
- Not the most beautiful
- But stunning, imposing

**Summit of El Capitan  
is**

**Romans 3:28**

**All of Romans leads  
to and from 3:28**





★ 1.	March 1	Compelled	1:1-17 & 15:14 to 16:27	Salutation/Epilogue
2.	March 8	Guilty	1:18-32	Wrath vs. Revelation
3.	March 15	Insufficient	2:1-29	God Judges Heart
4.	March 22	Justified	3:1 to 4:25	Justified by Faith
5.	March 29	At Peace	5:1-21	Life in Christ
6.	April 5	Free	6:1-23	Dead to Sin, Alive to God
7.	April 12	Lawful	7:1-25	Law—Flesh vs. Spirit
8.	April 19	Secured	8:1 to 9:1-33	No Condemnation in Christ
9.	April 26	Saved	10:1-21	Whosoever Can Be Saved
10.	May 3	Mercy	11:1-36	Remnant & Root Saved
11.	May 10	Sacrifices	12:1-21	Living Sacrifices & Love
12.	May 17	Citizens	13:1-14	Love Fulfills the Law
13.	May 24	Accepting	14:1-23	Respect the Weak
14.	May 31	Reach	15:1-13	Live in Harmony & Hope





E. F. Harrison, *Romans, Expositor's Bible Commentary*

<b>I. Salutation:</b>	<b>Thanksgiving and Theme of Epistle</b>	<b>1:1-17</b>
<b>II. Justification:</b>	<b>Universal Need/Provision of Righteousness</b>	<b>1:18–5:11</b>
<b>III. Sanctification:</b>	<b>Impartation of Righteousness</b>	<b>5:12–8:39</b>
A. Reign of Grace vs. Reign of Sin		5:12-21
B. Rationale for Sanctification		6:1-23
C. Inability of the Flesh and the Law to Sanctify		7:1-25
D. Power of the Spirit to Sanctify		8:1-17
E. Goal of Sanctification		8:18-39
<b>IV. Vindication:</b>	<b>God's Righteousness in Relation to Israel</b>	<b>9:1–11:36</b>
A. God's Past Dealings with Israel		9:1-33
B. God's Present Dealings with Israel		10:1-21
C. God's Future Dealings with Israel		11:1-33
<b>V. Application:</b>	<b>God's Righteousness at Work</b>	<b>12:1–15:13</b>
A. In the Assembly		12:1-21
B. In the State		13:1-14
C. In Relation to Weak Believers		14:1–15:13
<b>VI. Conclusion:</b>	<b>Paul's Plans in Dissemination of Righteousness</b>	<b>15:14–16:27</b>



# Where is Romans 3:28

## Jay Vernon McGee Outline

Compelled	1:1-17
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	15:14 to 16:27

Salutation/Epilogue  
Wrath vs. Revelation

Salutation 1:1-17  
Justification 1:18–5:11

## OUTLINE OF ROMANS

I. Introduction (1:1-17)

II. Our Need (1:18–3:20)

III. Justified Through Faith (3:21–5:21)

IV. Freed Through Christ (6:1–8:39)

V. Grace Offered to All (9:1–11:36)

VI. Righteousness Demonstrated (12:1–15:13)

VII. Conclusion (15:14–16:27)

Justification 5:12–8:39

Justification 9:1–11:36

Justification 12:1–15:13

Plans 15:14–16:27



**Simple way to Outline Romans is to see ALL as  
to and from Romans 3:28**

**KJV Therefore we conclude that a man is  
justified by faith without the deeds of  
the law.**

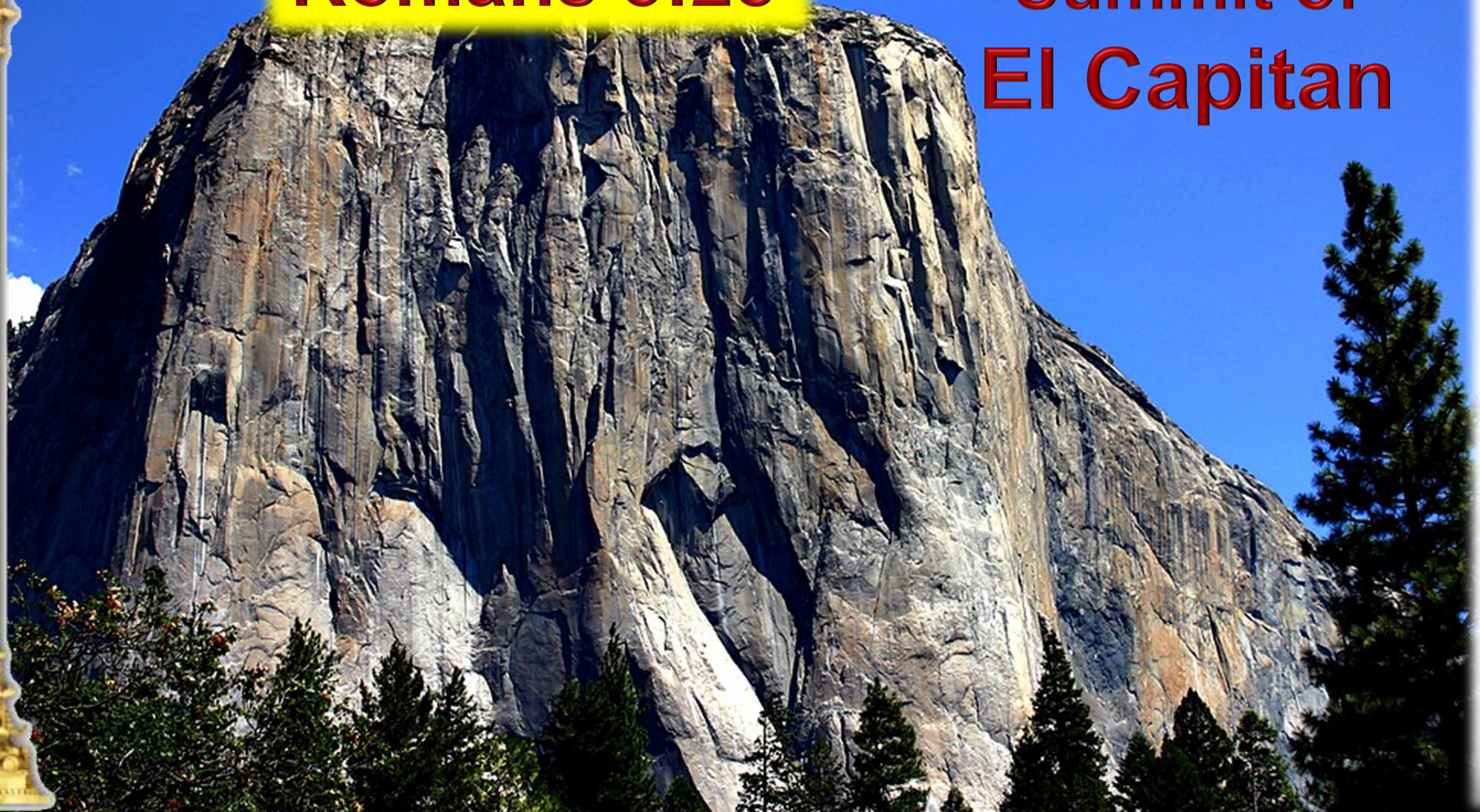
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**Romans 3:28**

**Summit of  
El Capitan**





**Before the Summit of El Capitan Romans 3:28**

**KJV Therefore we conclude that a man is justified  
by faith without the deeds of the law.**

**After this verse ... all looks back to this verse**

**Then all looks how to apply this verse**

**BEFORE the climb ... what do you do?**

**You prepare ... you plan ... and you**

**Eat, Drink, Tell Stories, Brag ... Tell of Failures**

**Show scars ...**

**You fellowship at the base ...**



# Lesson Author's Theme

**1:1-17 ... and 15:14 to 16:27 Salutation/Epilogue**

## **Compelled**

**Pg. 8 ... The transforming power of the gospel COMPELS believers to share it with others.**

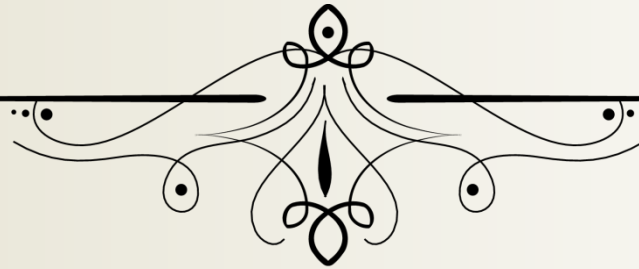
**We are going to “fellowship” first ...**

**Give brief introduction**



## **Key Verse Romans 1:17**

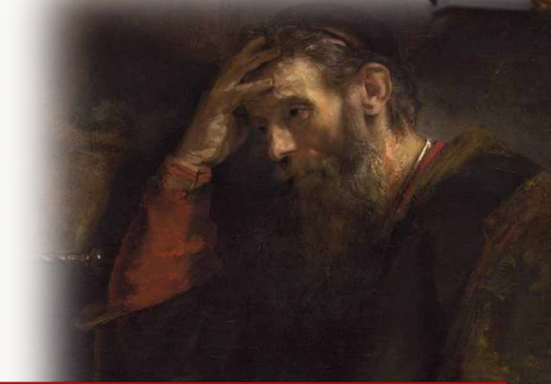
**For therein is the Righteousness of God  
revealed from faith to faith: as it is written,  
“The just shall live by faith.”**



**Who was Paul writing to?**



# Paul wrote from Corinth c. A.D. 57 ... on his Third Missionary Journey



- |    |   |
|----|---|
| 50 | First Epistle to the Thessalonians                |
| 51 | Second Epistle to the Thessalonians               |
| 52 |   |
| 53 | Epistle to the Galatians                          |
| 54 | First Epistle to the Corinthians                  |
| 55 | Epistle to the Philippians<br>Epistle to Philemon |
| 56 | Second Epistle to the Corinthians                 |
| 57 | Epistle to the Romans                             |

Paul wrote from Corinth c. A.D. 57 ...

Paul wrote the Galatians first, then the Romans

**TOUGH** on the Galatians ... **EASY** on Romans

Paul had not been to Rome yet ...

Yet his reputation was now far and wide ...

Same gist in Galatians, only Romans is SMOOTHER

Paul is his most diplomatic ... careful ... kind ...

**Who was Paul writing to?**

*We see most of WHO in last chapters*





## Romans 15:14-33 ... *Who is Paul writing ...*

14 I myself am convinced ... you're full of goodness

15-18 Yet I have written boldly ... to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles. Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus ...

19-21 I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ... *ALL OVER* ...

22 This is why I have often been hindered from coming to you...

23-27 *Longs to see them and go to Spain ... via Jerusalem ...*

30-32 I urge you ... to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me. Pray that I may be kept safe from the unbelievers in Judea.... so I may come to you....

33 The God of peace be with you all. Amen.

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## Romans 16:1-27 – **WHO?** Greet ... Greet ...

These are dear people to Paul ...

1 ... commend to you our sister Phoebe ...  
receive her in the Lord in a way worthy ...

3 Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my co-workers ...

Greet my dear friend Epenetus, who was the first convert  
to Christ in the province of Asia.

6-10 Greet Mary ... Andronicus and Junia ... Ampliatus ... Urbanus  
... and my dear friend Stachys ... Apelles ...

Greet those who belong to the household of Aristobulus.





## Romans 16:1-27 – Greet ... and Greet ...

11-12 Greet Herodion ... household of Narcissus ...  
Greet Tryphena and Tryphosa,  
those women who work hard in the Lord.

Greet my dear friend Persis, another woman  
who has worked very hard in the Lord.

13 Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother,  
who has been a mother to me, too.

14 Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas and the  
other brothers and sisters with them.



## Romans 16:1-27 – Greet ... and Greet ...

15 Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister,  
and Olympas and all the Lord's people ...

16 Greet one another with a holy kiss.

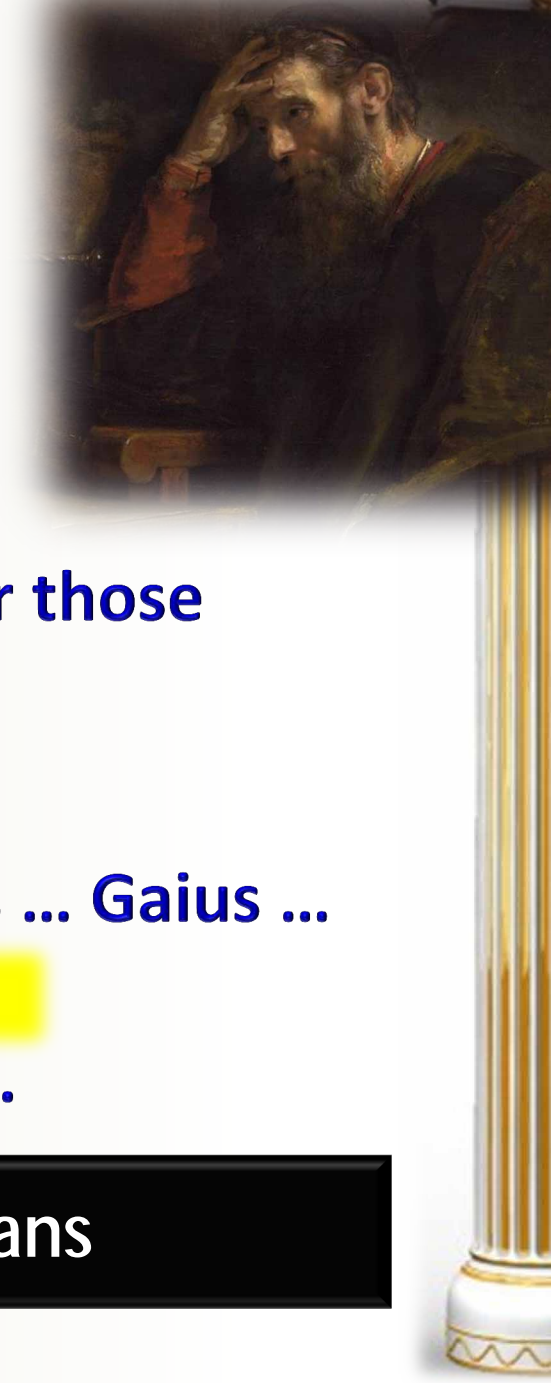
All the churches of Christ send greetings.

17-18 I urge you, brothers and sisters, to watch out for those  
who cause divisions.... Keep away from them....

They deceive the minds of naive people.

21-24 Timothy ... Lucius, Jason and Sosipater ... Tertius ... Gaius ...  
Erastus, who is the city's director of public works,  
and our brother Quartus send you their greetings.

How very precious and dear were those Romans





## Romans 16:1-27 – Greet ... and Greet ...

25 Now to him who is able to establish you ...  
in keeping with the revelation of the  
mystery hidden for long ages past,

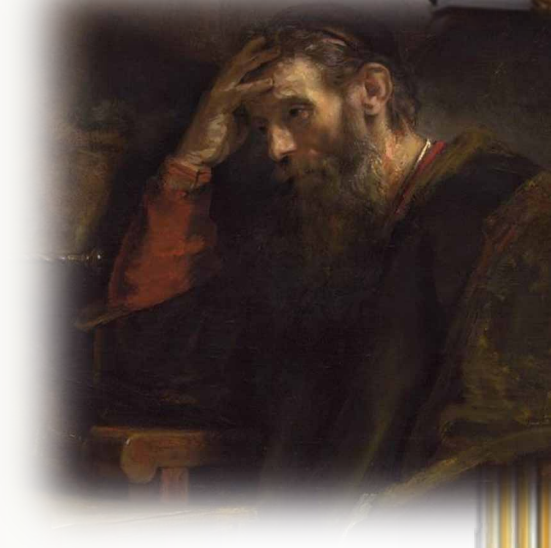
26 but now revealed and made known ... by  
the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles  
might come to the obedience that comes from

**FAITH—**

27 to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ!

**Amen.**

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# Romans 1:1-17 ... Lesson on Compelled

Romans 1:1-7 ... The Gospel Described

Romans 1:8-12 ... The Gospel Deference

Romans 1:13-15 ... The Gospel Debt

Romans 1:16-17 ... The Gospel Declared

1-4 Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—the gospel he promised beforehand through his **prophets** in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of **David**, and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the **Son of God** in power by his **resurrection** from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.



**Gospel Described**



# Romans 1:1-17 ... Lesson on Compelled

## Romans 1:1-7 ... The Gospel Described

5-6 Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the **obedience that comes from FAITH** for his name's sake. And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

7 To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:

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



## Romans 1:1-17 ... Lesson on Compelled

### Romans 1:8-12 ... The Gospel Deference

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you,  
because **your FAITH** is being reported all over the world.

9-10 God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me **constantly I remember you in my prayers** to come to you.

11-12 I long to see you so that I may **impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong**—that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's FAITH.

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## Romans 1:1-17 ... Lesson on Compelled

### Romans 1:13-15 ... The Gospel Debt

- 13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I **planned** many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a **harvest among you**, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.
- 14 I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish.
- 15 That is why I am so **eager to preach** the gospel also to you who are in Rome.
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## Romans 1:16-17 ... The Gospel Declared

**16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES:**

**first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.**

**17 For in the gospel the**

**RIGHTEOUSNESS of God is revealed from FAITH to FAITH,  
just as it is written: "The righteous will live by FAITH."**

**Parallel to 2 Cor. 5:21:**

**For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that  
we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**



**“Righteous of God” scholarship on this is *out-of-this-world* large**  
**Douglas J. Moo in his 1,000-page tome divides views into THREE**

- 1. Attribute of God – Revealed in Covenant Israel, Faithfulness**
- 2. Status GIVEN by God – Gift of to US thru the Cross**
- 3. Activity of God – Revealed in the Cross, Saving Grace**

**Some combination of two or three of these—Heart of the Gospel.**

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We're looking up to El Capitan . . . up to Romans 3:28

**KJV** Therefore we conclude that a man is  
justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

By FAITH we have the  
RIGHTEOUSNESS of God  
Just not yet ...

we have not yet  
climbed El Capitan ...

*... Not yet ...*





# **Romans 1:1-17 ... Lesson on Compelled**

**Romans 1:1-7 ... The Gospel DESCRIBED ...**  
**Prophet Promised ... Risen ... Obedience by FAITH**

**Romans 1:8-12 ... The Gospel DEFERENCE ...**  
**Their FAITH Famous ... Paul Longs to Enrich Their FAITH**

**Romans 1:13-15 ... The Gospel DEBT**  
**Planned Many Times for Harvest ... to Preach to Rome**

**Romans 1:16-17 ... The Gospel DECLARED**  
**Power of God to Everyone Who Believes**  
**RIGHTEOUSNESS of God ... revealed from FAITH to FAITH**

**This “RIGHTEOUSNESS by FAITH” is not easy to understand**

**Not EASY to climb El Capitan**



**RIGHTEOUSNESS by FAITH**  
**is not easy to understand**

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climb El Capitan**

**Stay Tuned ...**  
**Paul gives us  
much more**

