

ROMANS

THE SIMPLE GOSPEL

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The Simple Gospel is our calling and responsibility. To empower us to live it out, God has placed His Holy Spirit inside each of us.

Always remember, you belong to Jesus Christ. You are loved by God and called to be His own holy people. (1:6-7) You are experiencing a change of heart produced by God's Spirit. (2:29) By placing your faith in Christ Jesus, you have been made right by God. (3:22) You are blessed because your transgressions are forgiven, your sins are covered and they will never be counted against you. (4:7-8) You have peace through Your Lord, Jesus Christ into this grace in which you now stand. (5:1) There is no condemnation for you who are in Christ Jesus. (8:1) Your mind is controlled by God's Spirit which leads to life and peace. (8:6) Nothing can separate you from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus your Lord. (8:39)

Therefore, in view of God's mercy, in doing all this and more, we commission you to:

- Offer your body as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. (12:1)*
- Be devoted to one another in love and honor one another above yourselves. (12:10)*
- Keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. (12:11)*
- Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. (12:12)*
- Share with God's people who are in need and practice hospitality. (12:13)*
- Bless, do not curse, those who persecute you. (12:14)*
- Rejoice with those who rejoice. Mourn with those who mourn. (12:15)*
- Live in harmony with one another. (12:16)*
- Do not be proud or conceited or repay evil for evil. (12:17)*
- As far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. (12:18)*
- Do not take revenge, leave room for God's wrath. (12:19)*
- Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (12:21)*

Now to Him Who is able to establish you, and has equipped you to be an ambassador of The Simple Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to the only Wise God, be glory forever through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen. (16:25-27)