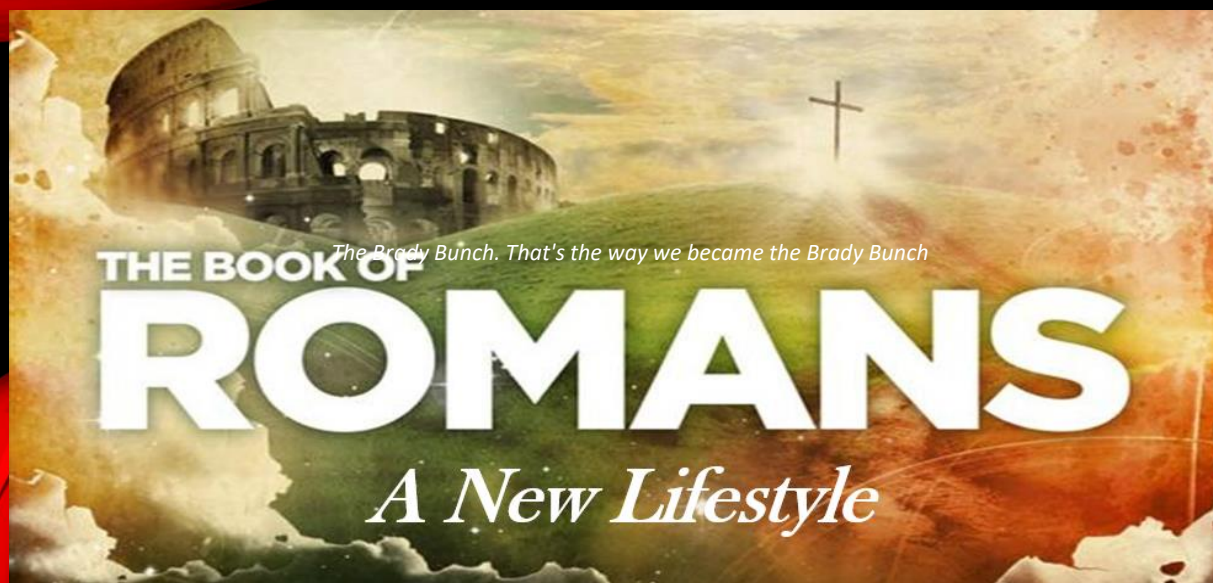


SRMBC FAMILY BIBLE STUDY



SRMBC 1ST & 2ND QTR BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Date	Lesson Title	Scripture
1/10/2018	Good News from God	Romans 1:1 - 17
1/24/2018	The Wrath of God	Romans 1:18 - 32
1/31/2018	The Judgment of God	Romans 2
4/11/2018	The Verdict	Romans 3:1 - 20
4/18/2018	The Righteousness from God	Romans 3:21 - 31
4/25/2018	The Example of Abraham	Romans 4
5/2/2018	Reasons to Rejoice	Romans 5
5/9/2018	New Life, New Lifestyle	Romans 6:1 - 7:6
5/16/2018	Our Struggle with Sin	Romans 7:7 - 25
5/23/2018	The Spirit Brings Life	Romans 8
5/30/2018	The Potter & His Clay	Romans 9
6/6/2018	Misguided Zeal	Romans 10
6/13/2018	The Future of Israel	Romans 11
6/20/2018	Living As Living Sacrifices	Romans 12
6/27/2018	Submitting to Authorities	Romans 13 - 14
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Romans: A New Lifestyle: Lesson 7: Reasons to Rejoice Romans 5

The Apostle Paul – The Letter to the Romans

- **Author:** Romans 1:1 identifies the author of the Book of Romans as the apostle Paul.
- **Date of Writing:** The Book of Romans was likely written A.D. 56-58.
- **Purpose of Writing:** His purpose in writing was to proclaim Jesus Christ by teaching doctrine and edify and encourage the believers.

The Book Of Romans Tells Us:

- About God, who He is and what He has done.
- It tells us of Jesus Christ, what His death and resurrection accomplished.
- It tells us about ourselves, what we were like without Christ and who we are after trusting in Christ.



Group Discussion:

What kinds of things make you want to dance or sing or celebrate? Why?

- When we I get a financial blessing/breakthrough for myself or my family.
- When the Eagles won the Super Bowl – It was a long time coming (Fly, Eagles, Fly).
- When we get together for worship – and talk about how Jesus is our “Solid Rock”.

Romans 5:1- 5 (NLT)

1 Therefore, since we have been made **right in God's sight by faith**, we have peace with God because of what **Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us**.

2 Because of **our faith**, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to **sharing God's glory**.

3 **We can rejoice**, too, when we run into **problems and trials**, for we know that they help us develop endurance.

4 And **endurance** develops strength of **character**, and **character** strengthens our confident **hope of salvation**.

5 And this **hope will not lead to disappointment**. For we know how dearly **God loves us**, because he has given us the **Holy Spirit** to fill our hearts with his love.

Romans 5:6-10 (NLT)

6 When we were utterly helpless, **Christ came at just the right time** and **died for us sinners**.

7 Now, most people **would not be willing** to die for an upright person, though someone might **perhaps** be willing to die for a person who is **especially good**.

8 But **God showed his great love** for us by sending **Christ to die for us** while we were **still sinners**.

9 And since **we have been made right** in God's sight by the **blood of Christ**, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation.

10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the **death of his Son** while we were still his enemies, we will **certainly be saved** through the **life of his Son**.

Romans 5:11 – 15 (NLT)

11 So now **we can rejoice** in our wonderful new relationship with God because our **Lord Jesus Christ** has made us **friends of God**.

12 When **Adam sinned**, sin entered the world. Adam's sin **brought death**, so death spread to everyone, for **everyone sinned**.

13 Yes, people sinned even before the law was given. But it was not counted as sin because there was not yet any law to break.

14 Still, **everyone died**—from the time of Adam to the time of Moses—even those who did not disobey an explicit commandment of God, as Adam did. Now **Adam is a symbol**, a representation **of Christ**, who was yet to come.

15 But there is a **great difference** between **Adam's sin** and **God's gracious gift**. For the sin of this one man, Adam, brought death to many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of forgiveness to many through this **other man, Jesus Christ**.

Romans 5:16 – 19 (NLT)

16 And the result of **God's gracious gift** is very different from the result of that **one man's sin**. For Adam's sin led to condemnation, but God's free gift leads to our being **made right with God**, even though we are **guilty of many sins**.

17 For **the sin** of this **one man, Adam**, caused **death to rule over many**. But even greater is God's wonderful **grace and his gift of righteousness**, for all who receive it will live in **triumph over sin and death** through this **one man, Jesus Christ**.

18 Yes, Adam's one **sin brings condemnation** for everyone, but Christ's **one act of righteousness** brings a **right relationship with God** and **new life for everyone**.

19 Because **one person** disobeyed God, many **became sinners**. But because **one other person** obeyed God, many will be **made righteous**.

Romans 5:20 - 21 (NLT)

20 **God's law** was given so that all people could see **how sinful** they were. But as **people sinned** more and more, **God's wonderful grace** became more abundant.

21 So just as **sin ruled over all people** and brought them **to death**, now God's **wonderful grace** rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through **Jesus Christ our Lord**.

1. In verses 2-11 what reasons does Paul give for rejoicing? How has faith in Jesus Christ changed our relationship with God (vv. 1-2)?

Reasons to Rejoice

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justification by faith (not by works) - We are right with God because of Christ. • We have peace with God (along with the peace of God). • We have access to God – (His Throne, His Presence, His blessing, etc.). • We access by faith and grace – His undeserved favor – O I Love the grace of God. • We have reason to rejoice – the Hope and Glory of God there is a greater glory – an eternal Glory. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have the ability to glory – even in the times of trouble for even the trouble is used to build up our Christ • We have the blessed Holy Spirit Living in our heart to remind of His great love for us • Christ died for me/us while we were sinners in my place • His blood paid for my sin – debt in full by His blood – Justified • I am reconciled – there is nothing (not even my past sins) that separates me from God |
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2. What does it mean to “rejoice in the hope of the glory of God” (v. 2)? How has this been a source of joy to you?

Definition: Glory of God - The glory of God is the manifestation of God, His radiant splendor, the outward shining of His inward being.

- Already His glory has been partly revealed in the universe.
- His Glory being revealed in human beings and supremely in Jesus Christ. . . (Isa 6:3).
- One day, however, the glory of God will be fully revealed, and ‘we exult in hope’ of this prospect.

3. How does suffering for Christ's sake produce the character changes mentioned in verses 3-4?

- Suffering helps build our patience and endurance with God.
- Suffering helps us to pray with sincerity and simplicity.
- Suffering helps us to see God's love and purpose for us in a deeper way.
- Suffering helps others to see Christ in us as we go through trials in a way that brings glory to God.
- Suffering gives us the opportunity to testify to others of the goodness of God.
- Suffering helps us to keep our focus on eternal things and not on earthly things.
- Suffering builds our faith and trust in God for greater things.

4. In what ways do verses 5-8 emphasize the love God has for us?

Scripture	Remarks
5 And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love	God loves so much He has given Himself in the Person of the Holy Spirit to remind of His love
6 When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. 7 Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good.	God loves us so much that – Christ died for us – even though we as sinners we were the ones who deserved death.
8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.	God loves us so much that He did not wait for us to become "good" but He sent Christ to die for us – while we still sinning – walking in disobedience.

5. How do verses 9-10 assure us that God accepts us completely in Christ?

Scripture	Remarks
9 And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation	Although our sins against God rightly condemn us - the blood and death of Jesus saves us from the punishment we are due.
10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son.	Christ's death restores our relationship with God. In Christ's resurrection, we are saved and assured of Justification

6. Why should God's outpouring of love and his complete acceptance make us rejoice (v. 11)?

God's love and acceptance for us is **Unconditional.**

God's love for acceptance for us is **Unchanging.**

God's love and acceptance for us is **Unfathomable.**



7. Read verses 12-21. How are Adam and Christ similar (vv. 12,18-19)? How is Christ's gift different from Adam's trespass (vv. 15-21)?

<u>Adam</u>	<u>Christ</u>
The first Adam yielded to temptation in a garden. (Genesis 3:6)	The Last Adam beat temptation in a garden. (Luke 22:42)
The first Adam brought a curse. (Genesis 3:17)	The Last Adam became a curse to remove the curse for us. (Galatians 3:13)
The first Adam was a man who sought to become like God. (Genesis 3:5)	The Last Adam was God who became a man. (John 1:14)

Adam vs Christ

That Which Comes to Man by . . .



Adam

Sin
Death
Condemnation
Disobedience
Sin Increased
Sin Reigns
Death Reigns



Christ

Righteousness
Eternal Life
Justification
Obedience
Grace Abounded
Grace Reigns
Reigning in Life

8. As you look back over this passage, what reasons does it give you for rejoicing?

Reason to rejoice	Remarks
Our Position As Believers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forgiven of all our sins by Christ • Justified in Christ • Loved and filled with Hope of/in Christ
Our Possessions As Believer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to God thru Christ. • Assurance in God thru Christ. (Today, Future/Eternal)
Our Privileges As Believers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ability to Rejoice In Trouble • The Ability to Recognize that our Troubles help us to grow in Christ

KEYS FOR LIVING

- *As believers in Christ, we should regularly review all that we are and all we have in Christ in order that we can stay joyful and hopeful in any situation.*
- *Even though we are children of God, we are not exempt from the trials of life. In fact, the suffering we all face is what God uses to build Christlike character in us.*
- *In Adam, we have the assurance of sin, death and judgement. But in Christ, we have forgiveness, acceptance, eternal life and so much more.*

