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The Good News  
of Jesus Christ

**ROMANS 1:2-4**



# Romans 1:1-5

*“Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart **for the gospel of God**, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, **Jesus Christ** our Lord, 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.”*

(ESV)

# John R.W. Stout

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“The person and work of Christ are the rock upon which the Christian religion is built. If he is not who he said he was, and if he did not do what he said he had come to do, the foundation is undermined and the whole superstructure will collapse. Take Christ from Christianity, and you dis-embowel it; there is practically nothing left. Jesus Christ is the center.”



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Jesus is the **Promise**  
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*“The gospel ... which he promised  
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# OT Prophecies Fulfilled in Jesus

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**Genesis** 3:15; 5:24; 9:26-27; 12:3-7; 14:18; 17:19; 22:8-18; 26:2-5; 28:12-14; 49:10; **Exodus** 3:13; 12:5-46; 15:2, 11; 17:6; 33:19; **Leviticus** 1:2-9; 14:11; 16:15-17, 27; 17:11; 23:36-37; 9:12; 21:9; 24:17; **Numbers** 24:17; **Deuteronomy** 18:15-19; 21:23; **Joshua** 5:14-15; **Ruth** 4:4-10; **1 Samuel** 2:10, 35; **2 Samuel** 7:12-16; **Job** 9:32-33; 19:23-27; **Psalms** 2:1-12; 8:2, 5-6; 9:7-10; 16:9-11; 17:15; 18:2-3; 22:1-31; 23:1; 24:3; 30:3; 31:5-15; 34:20; 35:11-19; 38:11, 20; 40:2-14; 41:9; 45:2-17; 55:12-15; 68:18; 69:4-26; 72:10-17; 78:1-2; 80:17; 88:1-8; 89:27, 35-37; 90:2; 91:11-12; 97:9; 100:5; 102:1-27; 109:25; 110:1-4; 118:17-26; 129:3; 132:11; 138:1-6; 147:3-6; **Proverbs** 1:23; 8:23; **Song of Solomon** 5:16; **Isaiah** 2:3, 4; 6:1, 8-12; 7:14; 8:8, 14; 9:1-2, 6-7; 11:1-5, 10; 12:2; 22:22; 25:8; 26:19; 28:16; 29:13-14; 32:2, 4; 35:5-6; 40:3-11; 42:1-6; 43:11; 44:3; 45:21-23; 46:9-10; 48:12-17; 49:1-7; 50:3-6; 52:7-15; 53:1-12; 55: 4-5; 59:16, 20; 60:1-3; 61:1-2; **Jeremiah** 31:22, 31; 33:14-15; **Ezekiel** 37:23-25; **Daniel** 2:44-45; 7:13-14; 9:24-26; **Hosea** 11:1; **Joel** 2:32; **Jonah** 1:17; **Micah** 5:2-6; **Haggai** 2:6-9, 23; **Zechariah** 3:8; 6:12-13; 9:9; 10:4; 11:4-13; 14:4; **Malachi** 3:1; 4:5-6.

# 2 Samuel 7:12-16

*“I will raise up your offspring after you ... I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son ... I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, but my steadfast love will not depart from him ... And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”* (ESV)



# Psalms

- *“You will not abandon my soul to the grave, nor will you let your holy one see corruption”* (16:10)
- *“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.”* (118:22)
- *“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? ... All who see me mock me ... a company of evildoers encircles me, they have pierced my hands and feet ... they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.”* (22:1, 7, 16, 18)

# Isaiah 9:6-7

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.”*

**(ESV)**



# Isaiah 11:1-2

*“There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.”*

(ESV)

# Isaiah 53:4-5

*“Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.”* (ESV)

# Zechariah 9:9-11

*“Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey ... and he shall speak peace ... As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free.”* (ESV)



# O.T. Prophecies of Christ

- The virgin birth (Isa 7:14)
- The place of birth (Micah 5:2)
- The return from Egypt (Hosea 11:1)
- His healing power (Isa 53:4)
- His use of parables (Ps 78:2)
- His being rejected (Ps 118:22)
- The cross (Ps 69)
- His death (Ps 22), burial (Isa 53:9) & resurrection (Ps 16:10)

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Jesus is the **Person**  
of the Good News

*“Concerning his Son, who was descended  
from David according to the flesh and was  
declared to be the Son of God in power”*

(1:3-4)



# Descended from David

- **Demonstrates his human nature**
- *“According to the Flesh”*
  - Flesh (*sarx*), body, flesh, skin.
  - Prophecy had stated that the Messiah would come from the line of David



# Son of God

- In the **Old Testament** this was a Jewish title pointing to the Messiah.
- In the **New Testament** this becomes an incarnational title applied to Jesus Christ.

*“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”*

**(Jn 3:16, ESV)**

# John 1:1, 14

*“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God ... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”*

(ESV)

# Philippians 2:5-11

*“Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth ... and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.”*

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Jesus is the **Provision**  
of the Good News

*“Declared to be the Son of God in power  
... by his resurrection from the dead,  
Jesus Christ our Lord” (1:4)*



# Declared (*horidzo*)

- **Confirmed, established, made definite.**
  - His identity was established and confirmed with power through his resurrection from the dead.

# Hebrews 2:14-15

*“Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might **destroy** the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.”*

**(ESV)**



# 1 Corinthians 15:55-56

*“Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?’ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

(ESV)

# Revelation 1:17-18

*“Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”* (ESV)

# Jesus Christ Our Lord (*kurios*)

- **Owner, Master, Boss**

- Paul's title of choice throughout Romans
- In the O.T., the word LORD replaced the most sacred, unpronounceable name of God.
- Used 6150 times in the O.T. in place of the proper name Yahweh

# Romans 10:9, 13

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*“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved ... For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”* (ESV)



# Jesus Christ, Our Lord

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Christ's provision is only applied when you receive him, and you make him Lord—acknowledging him as your owner in every sense of the word, and you are obedient to him and his commands.

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The good news is that everyone who receives Jesus as “LORD” will inherit all that God has prepared for those that love him.



# Next Steps

- I am thankful for God's provision of Jesus Christ.
- I know that Jesus is the Lord, and I commit to his lordship over my life.
- I will not fear sin or death, but rest in the hope of the resurrection.
- I will look for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus Christ with others.