

BIBL 556: LETTER TO THE ROMANS

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May 17 – 21; 8:30 am– 4:30 pm

2 or 3 graduate credit hours; or 2 audit hour

Live online & Recorded

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An exegetical study of Paul's exposition of the gospel, with particular attention to its literary structure, its theological themes, and its continuing significance for the Christian church. The historical and literary/rhetorical contexts will be explored with special attention to the Greco-Roman and Jewish environments.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this course, students should have a clearer understanding of:

1. Discuss the linguistic, literary, cultural, and historical background of the letter
2. Summarize the content of Romans and its theological significance
3. Review the current debate on the message of Romans
4. Reflect on the implications of Romans for faith and life today, especially on the missional call to share the gospel of God

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1 May 17 Course Overview; Preliminary remarks on the course; Introduction to Romans; Its history, literature, structure; Critical issues; The Gospel of God and the Depravity of the Gentiles

Day 2 May 18 The situation of the Moralists and the Jews; The Righteousness of God and the Faithfulness of Christ; The Faith of Abraham

Day 3 May 19 Justification, Reconciliation, and the Second Adam; The Power of Sin and the Eternal life; "I" of the Storm; The Spirit, the suffering and the Love of God

Day 4 May 20 The Destiny of Israel; The Justification of God; "All Israel Will Be Saved"

Day 5 May 21 The Transformation in the New Age; Love as the Fulfillment of the Law; The Strong and the Weak; Jews and Gentiles Together and Paul's Travel Plans; Paul's Friends in the Roman Church

REQUIRED TEXTS

Required for all:

Kim, Johann D. *Romans*. Seoul: Scripture Union, 2014 = 김도현. 『나의 사랑하는 책: 로마서』. 서울: 성서유니온, 2014.

Ahn, Yong Sung. *Romans and the Kingdom of God*. Seoul: New Wave Plus, 2019 = 안용성. 『로마서와 하나님 나라: 바울 신학의 패러다임 전환』. 서울: 새물결플러스, 2019.

Required for 3 credit students only:

Paul J. Achtemeier, *Romans*. Interpretation. Louisville: John Knox, 1985. = 폴 악트마이어. 『로마서』. 현대성서주석. 서울: 한국장로교출판사, 2003.

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