

Paul's Longing to Visit Rome - Romans 1:8-17

Topics: Caring, Confidence, Good News, Salvation, Witnessing

Open It

1. How do you stay in touch with friends or family members who live in another city?
- * 2. What trips to see friends or family members would you like take in the future?
3. How do people feel when circumstances force them to cancel a long-anticipated trip?

Explore It

4. For what was the church at Rome well-known? (1:8)
5. How did Paul describe his commitment to God? (1:9)
- * 6. What kind of concern did Paul have for his audience? (1:9-10)
- * 7. What happened to Paul's plans to visit the church in Rome? (1:10-13)
8. What did Paul want to give the Romans when he visited? (1:11-12)
- * 9. Who would benefit from Paul's visit? (1:12)
10. To whom had God called Paul to communicate the gospel? (1:14-15)
11. How did Paul feel about what others thought about him and his message? (1:16)
12. To whom does God grant salvation? (1:16)
13. How does a person become righteous? (1:17)
14. What does a person's faith accomplish? (1:17)

Get It

- * 15. What are some of the positive reports you would want other people to hear about your faith in God?
- * 16. How does remembering someone in prayer help him or her?
17. In what ways are we helped when we help someone else?
18. When have you learned something from someone whom you initially believed had nothing to teach you?
19. How does Paul's attitude about sharing the gospel compare with the prevailing attitude in your church?
20. For what reasons do Christians sometimes feel ashamed of the gospel?
21. How do people attempt to find salvation outside of faith in Christ alone?
22. For what reasons are you confident that the gospel is true?

Apply It

- * 23. What can you do this week to help a person for whom you are concerned?
24. With whom can you be more honest and forthright about the gospel message you believe?
25. For what "unreachable" person will you begin praying this week?