SEEING WHAT IS RIGHT • THROUGH GOD'S EYES

#### **ROMANS 15 - MOTIVATION.**

Scripture reading:

Romans 15:1-7. (Page 805 - NIV)

# Complete - Finished

When you marry the right woman you are complete.

When you marry the wrong woman you are finished.

When you marry a woman who likes to go shopping, you are completely finished.

The first 3 chapters of Romans show us the utter sinfulness of the human race, both Gentile and Jew are condemned.

3:23, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

All are finished, completely finished, lost.

Humanly speaking: no hope.

What is Romans all about?

Rom.1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."

The GOSPEL

What is the Gospel?

# An old hymn says it so beautifully:

He paid a debt He did not owe I owed a debt I could not pay I needed someone to wash my sins away And now I sing a brand new song **Amazing Grace** Christ Jesus paid a debt that I could never pay.

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Remember the Context!

#### The Context

#### The Mercy of God! "Done!"

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#### Responding to The Mercy of God! "Do!"

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## Rom.13:8-10 (Page 804)

Jesus replied: Matthew 22:34-40. (Page 699 – NIV)

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Who are our neighbors?

And how do we love our neighbors?

#### How do we love our neighbors? What are we to <u>DO</u>?

- 1. 15:1-2, We are to please our weak neighbors and not please ourselves.
- 2. Vs.7, To accept our Christian neighbors, which will bring praise to God.
- 3. Vs.8 21, To be concerned for our lost neighbors, Jews & Gentiles.
- 4. Vs.25-26, To consider our poor neighbors, Gal.2:9-10 (Page 824)
- 5. Vs.30-33, To pray for our neighbors who are God's servants

What <u>motivates</u> us to love our neighbors?

#### **MOTIVATION**

- 1. Ch. 12:1-2. Ch.1-11, the mercies of God.
- 2. Rom. 11:36. "Of Him, through Him and to Him."

Our greatest joy lies in glorifying God.

- 3. Rom. 15:2,7, Christ's example, Mark 1:35-38. (Page 707)
- 4. The scriptures, O.T. examples.
- 5. Paul's example, 15:20.

### **MOTIVATION**

Gal.2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God,

who loved me and gave Himself for me."

That's the greatest motivation for me to love Christ and to love my neighbor.