

BRIDGING *the* GAP

a study of Romans



The Good News of God **Romans 1:1-17**

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We have all crossed over many bridges. They are often scenic and nostalgic. Some bridges are old and some are new, but they all serve a vital purpose. They provide a way to cross a great divide.

God built the world's greatest bridge. Sin separates us from God. The gap is too vast for anyone to cross alone, but God has made a way. Through the cross of His Son, God has bridged the gap.

In today's study, we learn that the main message of Paul's letter to the Romans is that God has bridged the gap between Him and us.

HEARING FROM GOD'S WORD . . .

➔ *The gospel is the good news of God concerning the _____ of grace that He has built to all of us through His Son Jesus Christ.*

1. **The gospel has been _____ (v. 1-7).**
 - It's proven by the _____ of the prophets (v. 1-3).
 - It's proven by the _____ of Christ (v. 4).
 - It's proven by the _____ that follow (v. 5-7).

Mt. 1:1a; Rev. 22:16; Acts 17:30-31; Eph. 2:8-10

2. **The gospel must be _____ (v. 8-15).**

1 Cor. 9:16b; Rev. 14:6

3. **The gospel has saving _____ (v. 16-17).**

Rm. 10:17; 1 Th. 1:5a

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD . . .

- ✓ *Do you need to be _____ by faith in the gospel?*
- ✓ *Is there _____ with whom you need to share the gospel?*
- ✓ *Is there _____ in your life inconsistent with the gospel?*