

# Romans: Lesson 2

## Paul's Desire for the Saints in Rome

**Lesson Text:** Romans 1:1-17

**Assignment:** Read the lesson text (at least) 3-5 times prior to class; if possible, reference multiple translations. Questions are provided below as an additional aid to prepare for class discussion.

### Study Guide Questions:

1. Read 1:1-4. Outline the main points highlighted in these opening verses regarding Paul's gospel.
2. What was Paul's ministry objective among the Gentiles? (1:5; cf. 15:18; 16:26)
3. What reports have been proclaimed regarding the Roman brethren? (1:8; cf. 16:19)
4. Describe Paul's prayers. What does he ask of God? Why does he pray for these things? (1:8-12; cf. 15:30-33)
5. Why is Paul so eager to "preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome?" (1:11-17)
6. According to 1:17, why is the gospel God's power to save the believer? (Cf. 1:18; 3:21-26)
7. Memorize 1:15-17.
8. What key words are repeated throughout the lesson text?