



Proclaiming the Gospel: Mandate, Message, Mission

Romans 15:14-21

Commended the Romans for their faith	Romans 15:14	Romans 1:8
Paul's mandate from God to be the Apostle to the Gentiles	Romans 15:15-16	Romans 1:1-6
Paul being set apart for preaching the message of our Lord Jesus Christ (Gospel)	Romans 15:16-19	Romans 1:1;9;15
Paul's mission to bring the Gospel to those who have yet to hear of it.	Romans 15:21	Romans 1:14-16

Verse 14 (Introduction)

- Romans 15:14 - And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of **goodness (agathosune)**, filled with all **knowledge**, and able also to **admonish** one another.

Verse 15-16 (Mandate)

- ¹⁵ But I have written **very boldly** to you on some points, so as to remind you again, because of the **grace** that was given me from God, ¹⁶ to be a **minister (leitourgos)** of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, ministering as a priest the gospel of God, that *my* offering of the Gentiles might become acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

- Are we also given a mandate from God to proclaim the Gospel to the people?
 - Specific - ministry / vocation
 - General - follow Christ - share Gospel!

Mandate to share Gospel

- **Romans 10:13-16** ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴ But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵ And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"
- **1 Peter 2:9-10** ⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Verse 17-19a (Message)

- Euangelion = good news; Gospel
- What is the Gospel message?
 - Process / Results are dependent on God's enablement.
 - Comes in Word, deed, signs and wonders.
 - Mark of "success" = Obedience

Verses 19b-21 (Mission)

- Paul's two-fold strategy
- Alpha Program
- BLESS
 - **B**egin with prayer
 - **L**isten to a friend
 - **E**at with a friend
 - **S**erve a friend
 - **S**hare your story

- Let us embrace our God given **mandate** to share the Gospel **message** so that we are onboard this sacred **mission** to bring more people into Your kingdom glory!