2 Cor. 9:13 "Because of the service by which you \_\_\_\_\_ Yourselves, men will praise God for the \_\_\_\_\_ That accompanies your \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel of Christ"

*Vv.* 16-17 is the theme of the letter. Why is Paul not ashamed of the gospel?

**1:16** "because it is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God for the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of everyone who believes . . ."

## \*Paul says the gospel is the power of God for salvation. What are we saved from and what we are saved to?

What does Paul mean by first to the Jew, then for the Gentile? John 4:22

Rom. 9:4-5

Luke 24:46-48

Acts 1:8

Acts 13:4, 13,

Acts 14:1, 16:13

Paul gives the reason why the gospel is the power of God.
1:17a "For in the gospel a \_\_\_\_\_\_ from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by \_\_\_\_\_."

Why according to v.17 is accepting the gospel not just a one time declaration but a lifetime commitment?

**1:17b** "... a righteousness by faith from first to \_\_\_\_\_ Just as it is written, 'The righteous will \_\_\_\_\_ by faith." Oct 26/22 sermon follow up

## "Paul's Purpose" Romans 1:8-17

"I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and to the foolish. That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are at Rome." [Rom. 1:14-15]

Paul was committed to sharing the gospel, even being willing to suffer for it. Why? Because he was burdened for his unsaved fellow Jews who were blind to the truth but also for Gentiles too. As well, Paul knew that believers need to be encouraged to grow in the knowledge of the gospel and how it affects every area of our life, so we will be committed to sharing it. This what the gospel life looks like: a love for God so deep that it results in a love for people needing to hear about Jesus.

## <u>"Paul's Passion for People</u>" (1:8-13)

What does Paul almost always do first for the people whom he writes to in the New Testament?

**1:8** "First, I \_\_\_\_\_ my God through Jesus Christ For all of you because your \_\_\_\_\_ is being reported all over the world."

What other community had Paul said their faith was prominently heard "everywhere"?

\_\_\_\_\_\_1:4-10

What is the evidence that one actually has faith?

- 1 Thes. 1:6 "You became \_\_\_\_\_\_ of us and of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ In spite of severe \_\_\_\_\_\_ you welcomed the message with the joy given by the Holy Spirit."
- **Rom. 1:5** "Through Him and for His Name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from

among the Gentiles to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ that comes from faith."

In 1:9-10 Paul says something amazing when you consider he has never been to Rome or met most of these Christians. 1:9-10 "God, whom I\_\_\_\_\_ with my whole \_\_\_\_\_ in preaching the gospel is my \_\_\_\_\_ how \_\_\_\_\_ I remember you in my prayers at \_\_\_\_ times . . ."

How do we know Paul was not exaggerating a little?

Paul often mentions (Corinthians, Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians and Thessalonians) that he regularly prayed for them. How did he do that? **2 Cor. 11:28-29** 

What specific request had Paul been praying for concerning the church in Rome?

1:10 "... the \_\_\_\_\_ may be opened for me to \_\_\_\_\_ to you."

Paul mentions that he had planned (1:13) to come before but had "been prevented" from doing so. What was his main reason for not having been there yet? **15:17-23** 

His original plan was to visit Rome on his way to take the gospel somewhere else. Where was that?

15:24 "\_\_\_\_\_"

In vv.11-12 Paul shares his passion for these people. What did he want to do for them?

1:11 "impart to them some spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_ to make you

- **1:12** "that is that you and I may be mutually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_by each other's \_\_\_\_\_\_."
- 1:13 "in order that I might have a\_\_\_\_\_ among you, just as I have had among other \_\_\_\_\_"

## <u>"Paul's Purpose from God"</u> (1:14-17)

Paul started out with a very personal tone, establishing a relationship with these Christians he's never met before, by focusing on their relationship with Christ and a genuine concern to see them. Now he turns specifically to his main purpose. 1:14 "I am \_\_\_\_\_\_ both to \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, both to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the

**1:15** "That is why I am \_\_\_\_\_\_ to preach the \_\_\_\_\_\_ to you who are in Rome."

Who was Paul indebted to in order to preach the gospel?

**1:5** "Through \_\_\_\_\_\_ and for His Name's sake we received \_\_\_\_\_\_ and apostleship to call people from Among all the Gentiles . . ."

Paul says he came to preach the gospel to "you who are in Rome". Why should he preach the gospel to Christians? Don't they already have it?

**1:5b** " . . . call people from among the gentiles to \_\_\_\_\_\_ that comes from \_\_\_\_\_\_."