

God's Story Our Story™

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Romans 1:1-17

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

God, you have given us everything we need to understand and spread the good news of your salvation. Give us the enthusiasm of Paul for our mission in the world, and the compassion of Jesus, in whose name, we pray. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. (Romans 1:16)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Paul is a busy man. His missionary travels take him all throughout the Gentile world. And yet, in the midst of it all, he still finds time to write the odd letter or two of encouragement. Fortunately for us.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

What sins do you consider unforgivable? What sins can be easily overlooked? Does God make a distinction between the two?

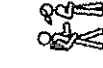
What shames or embarrasses you about your life in faith? What would make that shame or embarrassment lessened?

For the littles: Who in the world is most like you? Who is least like you? Jesus loves them both the same—and you, too!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God remove your shame. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Research your city's laws and ordinances. Are there any that surprise you? Is it possible to abide by every single ordinance at all times (consider your speed when you drive)? What does it say about you that you are not perfect? What does it say about God?

Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for

devotions on the daily readings.



Monday, Matthew 9:10-13, *Call of Matthew*

Tuesday, Romans 2:17-3:8, *The Jews and the Law*

Wednesday, Romans 3:9-20, *None Is Righteous*

Thursday, Romans 3:21-31, *Righteousness through Faith*

Friday, Romans 4:1-12, *The Example of Abraham*

Saturday, Romans 4:13-25, *God's Promise Realized through Faith*

Next Week: Romans 5:1-11, Peace and Hope