

## **Romans 15:4-13**

### ***Knowing and Understanding God In The Scriptures - Again & Again & Again***

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Romans 1:1 **Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,**

Romans 1:2 which **he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures,**

Romans 1:3 **concerning his Son, who was descended from David** according to the flesh

Romans 1:4 and was **declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,**

Romans 1:5 through whom **we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations,**

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Romans 1:6 including **you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,**

Romans 1:7 To all those in Rome **who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God** our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts 22:3 "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city (Jerusalem), **educated at the feet of Gamaliel according to the strict manner of the law** of our fathers, being **zealous for God** as all of you are this day.

Acts 9:1 But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the **disciples of the Lord,** went to the high priest

Acts 9:2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any **belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.**

1Corinthians 2:12 Now **we have received** not the spirit of the world, but **the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.**

1Corinthians 2:13 And we impart this in words **not taught by human wisdom** but **taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.**

1Corinthians 2:14 The **natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.**

Luke 24:27 And beginning with **Moses and all the Prophets**, he **interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.**

Luke 24:44 Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, **that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.**”

Luke 24:45 Then **he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,**

Luke 24:46 and said to them, “**Thus it is written**, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

Luke 24:47 and that **repentance for the forgiveness of sins** should be **proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.**

Acts 20:24 But I (Paul) do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, **if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.**

Acts 26:22 **To this day I have had the help that comes from God**, and so I stand here **testifying** both to small and great, **saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would come to pass:**

Acts 26:23 **that the Christ must suffer** and that, by being the first to rise from the dead, he would **proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles.**”

Acts 26:24 And as he was saying these things in his defense, **Festus** said with a loud voice, “**Paul, you are out of your mind; your great learning is driving you out of your mind.**” (The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.)

Acts 26:25 But Paul said, “I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but **I am speaking true and rational words.**

2Timothy 3:16 **All Scripture is breathed out by God** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

2Timothy 3:17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Romans 4:3 For what does the **Scripture** say?...

Romans 9:17 For the **Scripture** says to Pharaoh...

Romans 10:11 For the **Scripture** says...

Romans 11:2 Do you not know what the **Scripture** says...

Romans 15:4 For **whatever was written** in former days **was written for our instruction**, that through **endurance** and through the **encouragement of the Scriptures** we might have **hope**.

*All that was written in the Old Testament Scriptures was written for our doctrinal instruction. Through steadfastness and perseverance in the Scriptures we find encouragement, resulting in **hope**.*

***Hope** in the fact that there is a God who is sovereign over all of his creation and history.*

***Hope** in the fact that Jesus came to ransom and redeem by His death, His people.*

***Hope** in the fact that our future is secure and no matter how dark things look there will come a day when He will wipe away every tear from your eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.*

Romans 15:5 May the **God of endurance** and **encouragement** grant you to live in such **harmony (same mind)** with **one another**, in accord with Christ Jesus,

Philippians 2:1 So if there is any **encouragement in Christ**, any **comfort from love**, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,

Philippians 2:2 complete my joy by being of the **same mind**, having the same love, **being in full accord and of one mind**.

Romans 15:6 that **together you may with one voice** glorify (honor, magnify) the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:7 Therefore **welcome one another** as **Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.**

Romans 15:8 For I tell you that **Christ became a servant** to the **circumcised** to show **God's truthfulness**, in **order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs**,

Romans 15:9 **and** in order that the **Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written**, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

2Samuel 22:50 "For this I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations, and sing praises to your name.

Psalms 18:49 For this I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations, and sing to your name.

Romans 15:10 **And again** it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."

Deuteronomy 32:43 "Rejoice with him, O heavens;

Romans 15:11 **And again**, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him."

Psalms 117:1 Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

Romans 15:12 **And again** Isaiah says, "The **root of Jesse** will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; **in him will the Gentiles hope.**"

Isaiah 11:10 In that day the **root of Jesse**, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Isaiah 11:1 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

Isaiah 11:2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

**Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.**

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