

KEY WORDS

- Righteousness - having the quality of being right or just
- Justification - to make right or just; Jesus makes us right and gives us wisdom
- Faith - living without hesitation or scheming

SCRIPTURE

PRIMARY TEXT:

Romans 1:8-17

SUPPLEMENTAL TEXT:

Romans 15:23-29, Proverbs 16:9; Romans 1:18-20, 8:6, 15:23-29; Acts 25-28; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

OBSERVATIONS & APPLICATION

In Romans 1:13, Paul mentions that he had been prevented many times from visiting Rome. According to Romans 15:23-29, how and when did Paul plan to visit Rome?

What impact does Proverbs 16:9 have on you when things don't work out the way you plan?


What unexpected events did God orchestrate after Paul was kept from going to Rome when he originally planned? How has God worked in unexpected ways in your life? (This week in your personal time of study, read Acts 25-28 to learn about Paul's Road to Rome.)

Read Romans 1:9-10, Romans 8:6, and 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. How do these verses change your perspective on praying without ceasing?

Read Romans 1:16-20. How does God reveal His righteousness to us?

How does living by faith contrast with relying solely on our own efforts or achievements?

RESOURCES

 **Step Bible**
(Digital Study Tool to Define Words)

PRAYER

- What does it mean to "pray without ceasing," and how can you incorporate this practice into your daily lives in a meaningful way?
- This week, try this practice of praying without ceasing.

SCRIPTURE

Write which passage of scripture you are reading.

OBSERVATION

What is this text saying? What is the context? How does it fit with the verses before and after it? Are there any commands or instructions?

APPLICATION

How can you apply this verse to your life? What does this mean today? What is God saying to you?

PRAYER

Respond to the passage in prayer. Ask God to help you apply this truth to your life and spend some time listening to what He may be telling you.
