



# International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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## Lesson 1

### **Romans 1:1-15 Scripture Handout New International Version**

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.  
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
  2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

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

(Romans 1:2) the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures

(Romans 1:3) regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David,

(Romans 1:4) and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Romans 1:5) Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake.

(Romans 1:6) And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

(Romans 1:7) To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

(Romans 1:8) First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world.

(Romans 1:9) God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you

(Romans 1:10) in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

(Romans 1:11) I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong—

(Romans 1:12) that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith.

(Romans 1:13) I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

(Romans 1:14) I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish.

(Romans 1:15) That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.

**Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:**

**Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study**

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?