

INTRODUCTION

- * Paul epistle to the believers in Rome ... "The just shall live by faith."
- * For the past couple of weeks, we have considered Paul's exhortation to the believers in Rome to offer themselves as living sacrifices to God.
- * As a living sacrifice, our desire ought to be to serve the living God!
- * Throughout the New Testament, the church is taught that we should seek to minister to one another.
Galatians 5:13 "For you brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."
- * In our passage today, we see the beauty of the reciprocity of serving one another.
reciprocity - a relationship of mutual dependence or cooperative interchange of favors or privileges

INSTRUCTION

I. THE MINISTRY _____ THE GENTILES (v. 8-24)

A. By C _____ (v. 8-13)

1. THE N _____ E OF HIS MINISTRY (cf. Philippians 2: 5-8)
2. THE P _____ E OF HIS MINISTRY
 - a. As An _____ (v. 8)
 - b. In Order That _____ (v. 9-12)

B. By P _____ (v. 14-24)

1. HIS BO _____ (v. 14-16)
2. HIS BO _____ (v. 17-21)

II. THE MINISTRY _____ THE GENTILES (v. 25-33)

A. The R _____ s (v. 25)

B. The G _____ s (v. 26-33)

1. THEIR I _____ (v. 26; cf. 2 Corinthians 8:1-5)
2. THEIR M _____ (v. 27; 1 Corinthians 9:11-14)

INTROSPECTION

- * DO YOU HAVE THE HEART OF A SERVANT? ... OR, DO YOU EXPECT OTHERS TO SERVE YOU?
- * BEING A "LIVING" SACRIFICE MEANS THAT THERE IS A WILLINGNESS TO SACRIFICE ... DOES YOUR LIFE REFLECT THAT WILLINGNESS?
- * WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN YOUR LIFE THAT WOULD REVEAL A WILLINGNESS TO SERVE THE LOST?
- * IS THERE A NEED FOR REPENTANCE - "CHANGING THE WAY YOU THINK"?