

Lesson 13. S-Complete Gospel Presentation
Fifth Method—Romans Method, Part 1

This is a Complete Gospel Presentation method in which all the verses are found in the book of Romans. This method can be used to witness to someone who is interested in finding where everything is recorded in the Word of God.

Introduction

Read and underline in your own Bible the following verses from the book of Romans. Each verse corresponds with one of the five Gospel points. In class write the Gospel points which correspond with the verses below.

1. Ro 5:8 _____
2. Ro 3:10 _____
3. Ro 5:6 _____
4. Ro 6:3-5 _____
5. Ro 6:6-7 _____

1. Love

Fill in all the blanks below.

We have already learned that God shows His love for us in two major ways. They are

1. God _____ us so much that He had His Son die for us in order that we can go to heaven (Ro 5:8).
2. God loves us so much that He provides us all things we need here on this _____, including an abundant life of love, joy, and peace (Ro 8:32).

2. Sin

Secondly, we use the book of Romans to tell the listener about sin.

We know that we are sinful because

1. The Law shows us our sin (Ro 3:20).
 - 1) Through the Law, we know that we should love our neighbor (Ro 13:8).
 - 2) But we often do not totally love everyone and thus fall far short of perfect love.
2. Our _____ tells us when we do right or wrong (Ro 2:15).

3. Substitution

Christ died for us, the ungodly; that means—He was the _____ for us (Ro 5:6).

1. Being justified by God's grace means that we are declared totally not guilty (Ro 3:24).
2. Through Jesus Christ, we are redeemed. In the Old Testament, a person's debts could result in his being sold as a slave. Another person could free the slave by paying money to buy his freedom. Likewise Jesus freed us from slavery to _____ (Ro 6:6b) by using His blood to buy our freedom, that is—to redeem us.

4. Belief/Baptism

After we have told a listener about God's love, our sin, and our Substitute Jesus Christ, our hope is that he will believe and be baptized.

1. Belief—First we encourage the listener to hear more of the Word of God as faith comes by hearing (Ro 10:17).
 - 1) There are two major parts of the Word of God, namely Law and Gospel.
 - a. The Law reminds us that all are sinful. Other than Jesus Christ, no one is righteous. Without the work of the Holy _____, no one seeks God. All have turned aside and done wrong (Ro 3:10-12). If the listener does not believe that he is a sinner, we then share other Law verses with him.
 - b. The Gospel teaches us that God is loving and willing to forgive us for our sin. God treats mankind with kindness, forbearance, and patience. When we speak of these things, we are speaking the Gospel. The _____ (good news of God’s kindness) leads a person to repentance (Ro 2:4). If a person repents of his sin but is still afraid that God will punish him, we then share more Gospel verses with him.
 - 2) Note what part of the Word of God that our listener needs to hear. Let us look at the following two examples and see whether we should share the Law or the Gospel with these two people.
 - a. If a person is sorry for his sin and is afraid that God cannot forgive him, we share the Gospel with him.
 - b. If a person does not want to repent of his sin, but chooses to live in his sin and not change, we share the _____ with him.
2. Baptism—After a person understands and believes the Word of God regarding sin and salvation through Christ alone, we will want to encourage him to be baptized. Through baptism, there are two major blessings which God gives us (Ro 6:4-5). They are
 - 1) The joy of walking in newness of life.
 - 2) The resurrection from the dead some day.
3. When a person believes and is baptized, God’s Holy Spirit assures him of the following three things.
 - 1) He is God’s _____ (Ro 8:16).
 - 2) Even though he deserves to be punished by eternal death, God gives him eternal life as a free gift (Ro 6:23).
 - 3) Nothing can separate him from God’s love in Christ Jesus our Lord (Ro 8:38-39).

Conclusion—Review

At the beginning of class you marked five verses in your Bible. These five verses correspond with the five Gospel points. Read these verses again and write the Gospel points in your own Bible on the page where each verse is found. For example, at the top of the page on which you find Ro 5:8, write “1. Love.” Next to each verse, write the reference of the next verse beside it in your Bible. Beside the fifth verse, write the words, “See Mark 1:1, and begin reading the Word of God from there.” In this way you can encourage the person to grow by reading the Word of God. Your teacher will lead you through this exercise. If you follow this order of verses when speaking to someone, you will be able to witness in an organized manner using the book of Romans.

Homework Assignments:

1. Fill in all the blanks in your textbook.

2. Before the next class period use your Bibles with the five verses you marked in the book of Romans to explain the Gospel to someone, preferably a non-Christian. Be prepared to report your experience in class next session.

Optional Homework Assignment:

Book of Romans Assignment

1. Read as much of the book of Romans as possible.
2. Mark with a “+” all the verses which tell of God’s love for us, that is the Gospel.
3. Mark with an “O” all the verses which tell that we sin, that is the Law.
4. If you want your teacher to check this assignment, make one list of Gospel verses and one list of Law verses that you found. Write just the references of these verses in the order in which they are found in the book of Romans.

This will give you many verses to use when you talk with someone about the Law or Gospel.

We learned the importance of using the Law and Gospel in this lesson under **4. Belief/Baptism.**