



## Romans 16:24

Romans is a fundraising letter where Paul explains his theology before his “big trip” to Rome.

Romans is Paul’s greatest theological work. So much of the theology found in the other Epistles is also found in the Book of Romans. Romans was Paul’s Magnum Opas! Romans is used in all of the other Epistles. Corinthians, Colossians etc... they all extrapolate on Paul’s main ideas from the book of Romans.

- **Romans 1-11** - Paul outlining how he views the Gospel.
- **Romans 12:1-2 NIV** - Romans 12 is when Romans gets practical. Chapters 1-11 is all theology. Chapter 12 and on is how to apply that theology.

Paul takes the greek **Θυσία (Thusia)** which means **sacrifice** and he changes the meaning by adding another greek word **ζάω (zaō)** which means **life**. It is not a blood sacrifice but a “**living sacrifice.**”

- 1.) We no longer offer animals but we offer ourselves.
- 2.) Sacrifice is not just one day, it is every day.

This is your “reasonable” worship. The greek here is **λογικός (logikos)**. The worship of God, to Paul, is logical. It makes sense.

Fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out. If the tree is producing bad fruit, look at the roots.

**Titus 3:5**, says He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

What is the story you are telling yourself?