

SERMON NOTES ♦ JANUARY 11, 2009
Unlimited Power...And Why We Need It

SERMON TEXT

Romans 1:14-23 (ESV)

¹⁴I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. ¹⁵So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. ¹⁹For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. ²¹For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²²Claiming to be wise, they became fools, ²³and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

NOTES

I. Unlimited power... (vv. 14-17)

II. Why we need it...(vv. 18-23)

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GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Welcome and Ritual of Friendship Clay Brown
(Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.)

Invocation

Prelude: *From Heaven Above to Earth He Came* PELZ
Joanne Daykin

Call to Worship Fred Coates

*Hymn #17: *Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him* AUSTRIAN HYMN

Call to Confession Tyler Domske

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change. Open us to a future in which we will be changed. Grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. We pray through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response #34: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100TH

