Spiritual Readiness¹

Book of Romans – 1:1-17

NOTES:

Application Questions

I. Read Romans 1:1-7 – Paul calls those who belong to Christ "saints" (v. 7). Does this apply to all Christians? Or only to those who have achieved "sainthood"? Reason through your answer biblically.

II. Read Romans 1:8-15 – what is the main theme of these verses, which is repeated at least two times? And how does this theme "mutually encourage" believers / leaders in church? (v. 12)

- III. Read Romans 1:16-17 wrestle with the meaning of the gospel that reveals the "righteousness of God" – which of the following is meant and how does this meaning affect your view of salvation?*
 - A. Righteousness of God = Righteous Nature of God as Just.
 - 3. Righteousness of God = the status God confers on us in Christ.
 - C. Righteousness of God = Saving Activity of God in the gospel.

¹ "Already, not yet." We are studying Romans so that you understand the gospel of Jesus and are Spiritually Ready for the Day of Salvation.

^{*}Back to the question, which of the above is meant in Romans 1:17, and how does your understanding of this affect how you live?