

Being part of the Fruitful Family of Faith

ROMANS 1:8-15



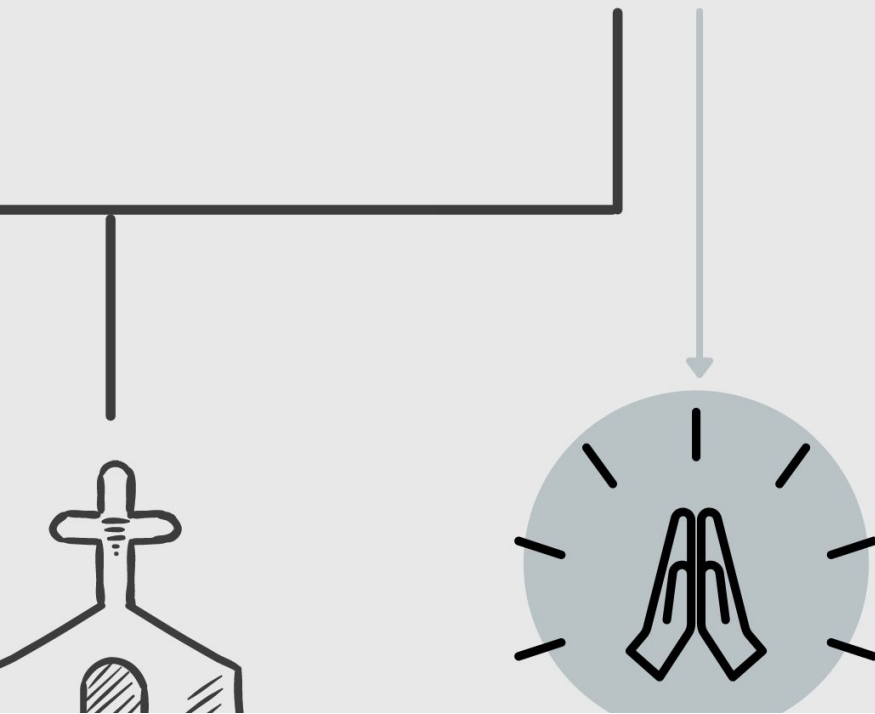


A Desirous Destiny

8 FIRST, I THANK MY GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST FOR YOU ALL, THAT YOUR FAITH IS SPOKEN OF THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE WORLD. 9 FOR GOD IS MY WITNESS, WHOM I SERVE WITH MY SPIRIT IN THE GOSPEL OF HIS SON, THAT WITHOUT CEASING I MAKE MENTION OF YOU ALWAYS IN MY PRAYERS, 10 MAKING REQUEST IF, BY SOME MEANS, NOW, AT LAST, I MAY FIND A WAY IN THE WILL OF GOD TO COME TO YOU.



A Delightful Dilemma



*11 FOR I LONG TO SEE
YOU, THAT I MAY IMPART
TO YOU SOME SPIRITUAL
GIFT, SO THAT YOU MAY
BE ESTABLISHED— 12
THAT IS, THAT I MAY BE
ENCOURAGED TOGETHER
WITH YOU BY THE
MUTUAL FAITH BOTH OF
YOU AND ME.*



Is Divinely Divisive

13 NOW I DO NOT WANT YOU TO BE UNAWARE, BRETHREN, THAT I OFTEN PLANNED TO COME TO YOU (BUT WAS HINDERED UNTIL NOW), THAT I MIGHT HAVE SOME FRUIT AMONG YOU ALSO, JUST AS AMONG THE OTHER GENTILES.

A Demonstrated Duty

*14 I AM A DEBTOR BOTH TO GREEKS
AND TO BARBARIANS, BOTH TO WISE
AND TO UNWISE. 15 SO, AS MUCH AS IS
IN ME, I AM READY TO PREACH THE
GOSPEL TO YOU WHO ARE IN ROME
ALSO.*

