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- [www.nhccftl.org/streams](http://www.nhccftl.org/streams)
- Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)
  - [www.nhccftl.org/sunam](http://www.nhccftl.org/sunam)
- The After Church (12:00 pm)
  - [www.nhccftl.org/after](http://www.nhccftl.org/after)
- Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)
  - [www.nhccftl.org/acts](http://www.nhccftl.org/acts)
- Stream Library
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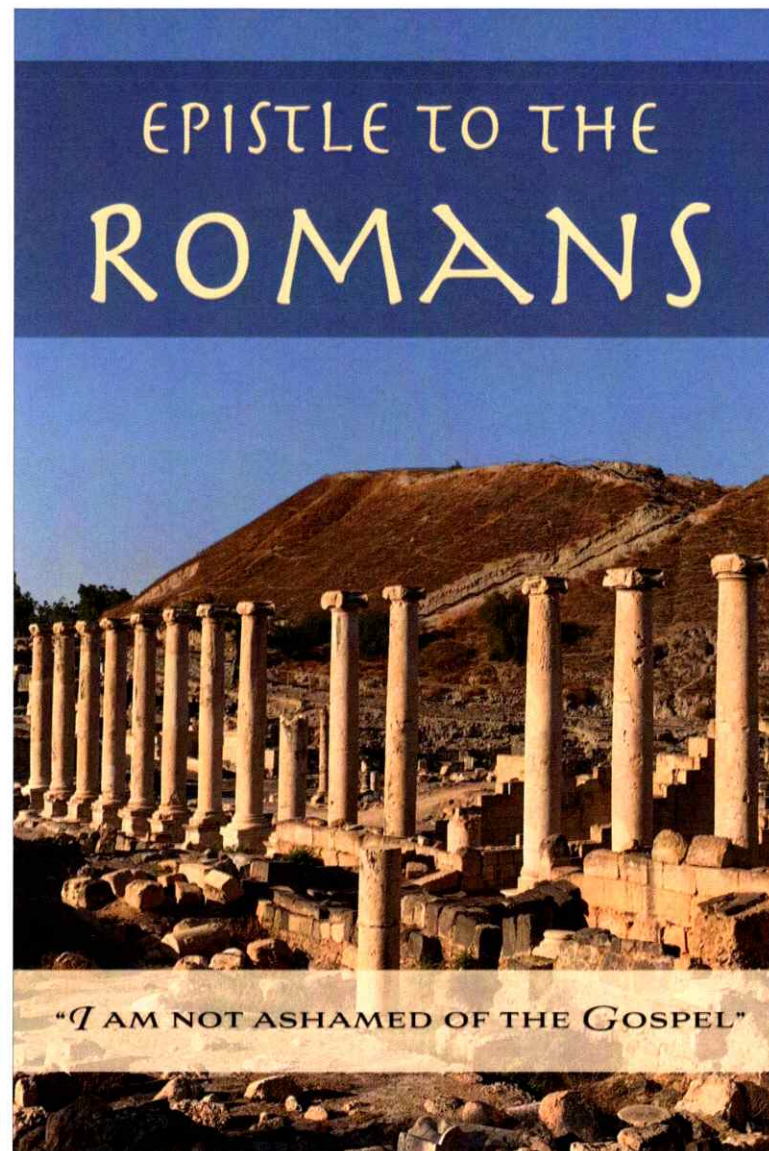


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**Worship Service**  
**July 26, 2026**

**Announcements**

**Call To Worship:** "Majesty"

**Welcome And Invocation To Worship**

**Moment In The Word:** Isa. 40:21-24      Rev. Kirby Williams

**Singing Together:**

"The Lord is My Salvation"

"Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me"

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

**Responsive Reading:** Isa. 40:25-31  
**Prayer For The Gathering**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**Friendship Time**

**Offertory & Special Music:** "Cry Out to Jesus"  
*\*\*Dismissal of Children's Church*

**Scripture Reading:** Rom. 1:1

**Message:** "A Called Apostle"

**Prayer For Understanding**

**Response Song:** "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction:** "He Alone Is Worthy"

**Discipleship Opportunities**

**The AfterChurch**

Immediately after the Service  
On campus & streamed\*

*Seeking Deeper Illumination...  
from God's Word.*

**Wednesday Night Bible Study**  
postponed for the summer.

**Wednesday Night Youth Group**  
postponed for the summer.

**J.A.M. Club**  
postponed for the summer.

**Ladies' Prayer Ministry**  
Third Saturday of each month.  
9:00 a.m. in the Library  
*Women praying for women*

*\* Check the back page for streaming links!*

**Prayer Needs**

Sherry Shoemaker  
Bobbie Sayre  
Donna Weyd  
Bruce Eyer  
Frank Hackett

**Prayer Chain:** [prayer@nhccftl.org](mailto:prayer@nhccftl.org)

**Birthdays**

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Annie Oles        | July 23   |
| Jan Vermaas       | July 28   |
| Lisa Richards     | July 30   |
| Dora Medina       | August 1  |
| Joey Russo        | August 2  |
| Henry Becker      | August 5  |
| Cheryl Comer      | August 6  |
| Pat Pinkston      | August 6  |
| Christine Hopwood | August 11 |
| Jessica Aviles    | August 15 |

**Anniversaries**

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Kirby & Kaye Williams     | July 2   |
| Jorge & Reina Gonzalez    | July 7   |
| Charlie & Lynn Calhoun    | July 19  |
| Martine & Ralinson Alcuis | July 24  |
| Zach & Annie Oles         | July 27  |
| Brian & Dawn Duplak       | August 5 |

**This Week...**

|    |                  |            |
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| 26 | Worship Services | 10:00 a.m. |
|    | AfterChurch      | 11:45 a.m. |

**We Thank Those Who Serve Today**

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| Sound Booth | Bob Timmer<br>Anita Orsini     |
| Ushers      | Steve Shoemaker<br>Bill Slager |
| Greeter     | Frank Medina                   |
| Treats      | Chris Hopwood &<br>Jan Hackett |
| Nursery     | Alexis Evans-Morris            |

## Announcements

Welcome to New Hope Community Church!

*Please - no food or drink  
in the Sanctuary....*

### Offerings -

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for the Legal Defense Fund.
- **Giving Opportunities -**

Offering Boxes are located at the back of the church. Please drop your offerings as you exit or enter the Sanctuary.

- Online Giving can be made at [www.nhccftl.org/give](http://www.nhccftl.org/give)

### Special Fund Schedule:

7/26 Legal Defense Fund

### Nursery:

Infants to 3 yrs

Children's Church:

Ages 4-5th grade

*Dismissed at Special Music.*

## Scripture Reference: Rom. 1:1 (ESV)

Rom. 1:1. Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,

### Synopsis: "A Called Apostle"

Throughout the history of the church, people have asked the question, "Why should we listen to Paul?" After all, he is nowhere mentioned in the Gospels and actually opposed Christ and ravaged His church. Well, as he introduces himself in this letter to the Romans, Paul wastes no time addressing this question by declaring he has been called to be an apostle. We will carefully analyze what it means to be an apostle, why Paul qualifies, and why the myriad voices that continue to claim apostolic power and authority do not. Towards this end we will explore the crucial distinctives required for apostleship and why the fact that Paul was "called" by Christ makes all the difference. Ultimately we will realize that it is the sovereign decree of God, established from all eternity past, that Paul would be his apostle to the Gentile world and that we should listen to him for that precise reason-- because he is a called apostle.

# "A Called Apostle" – Rom. 1:1 (ESV)

## I. Introduction

## II. Exposition of the text, Rom. 1:1.

### A. Context

### B. A called Apostle set apart by God.

#### 1. A "called apostle".

##### a. What it means to be an apostle.

###### i. Why the word-ordering?

1) Verification, 1Cor. 9:2.

2) Establishing his authority.

###### ii. Defining "apostle".

1) Why it is important to define "apostle", 2Cor. 11:13-14.

2) The etymology of the word.

3) More than just a disciple.

a) Distinct from disciples, Luke 6:12-13.

b) Distinct from church leaders, Acts 15:23; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:1.

4) Clarifying the distinctives.

a) Chosen to be an apostle by Christ, Acts 1:24-26.

b) An ambassador sent by Christ.

(1) Sent by Christ, Matt. 28:19-20; John 20:21; Luke 10:1.

(2) As an authoritative "ambassador", 2Cor. 5:20-21; Isa. 18:1-2; Luke 9:1-2; John 20:22.

c) A disciple with supernatural powers, Matt. 10:1.

(1) The mighty works of the apostles, Acts 5:12; 2Cor. 12:12.

(2) The mighty works of others, Luke 10:9,17; Acts 6:8, 8:6.

d) A witness to the Resurrected Christ.

(1) Analyzing Peter's criteria, Acts 1:21-22.

(2) Not an exclusive distinctive, 1Cor. 15:5-6.

5) Summarizing the distinctives.

##### b. An apostle called by Christ.

###### i. Defining the word, 1Kings 1:41; Rom. 1:6-7, 8:28.

1) A word of sovereign invitation.

2) A statement of exclusivity, John 6:44, 14:6, 15:16.

###### ii. The power, authority and the Words of the apostles.

1) The Power and authority of Christ, Rom. 15:18-19; 1Cor. 2:4-5.

2) The Words of Christ, 1Th. 2:13; 2Pet. 1:21, 3:15-16.

##### 2. Why Paul was an apostle.

a. Paul was "sent" by Christ, Acts 22:21; Rom. 11:13; 1Tim. 2:7; Gal. 1:11-12.

b. Paul worked mighty miracles, Acts 19:11-12, 20:9-12; 1Cor. 2:4; 2Cor. 12:12.

c. Paul was witness to the Resurrected Christ, 1Cor. 9:1, 15:8; Acts 26:14-18.

d. Paul was called to be an apostle., Acts 9:15, 20-22; Eph. 6:20; 2Cor. 10:8, 13:10; Gal. 1:1.

3. Why you are not, Rev. 2:2; Eph. 2:20; Rev. 21:14.

4. God's eternal decree, Gal. 1:15.

## III. Application

## IV. Conclusion

## Notes

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# Worship Songs

## July 26, 2026

### Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty.  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority  
Flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.  
Majesty, worship His majesty –  
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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### Moment in the Word: Isa. 40:21-24

Is. 40:21. Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

Is. 40:22. It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;

Is. 40:23. who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

Is. 40:24. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

## The Lord is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me,  
and pulled me from the raging sea.  
And I am safe on this solid ground,  
the Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls,  
His strength will help me scale these walls.  
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun,  
The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God?  
Strong to save, faithful in love.  
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!  
The Lord is my salvation.

My hope is hidden in the Lord.  
He flow'rs each promise of His Word.  
When winter fades I know spring will come.  
The Lord is my salvation.

In times of waiting, times of need,  
when I know loss, when I am weak,  
I know His grace will renew these days.  
The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God?  
Strong to save, faithful in love.  
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!  
The Lord is my salvation.

And when I reach my final day,  
He will not leave me in the grave,  
But I will rise, He will call me home!  
The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God?  
Strong to save, faithful in love.  
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won!  
The Lord is my salvation.

Glory be to God, the Father,  
Glory be to God, the Son;  
Glory be to God, the Spirit,  
The Lord is our salvation.  
(Repeat)

## Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer;  
There is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom;  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus;  
For my life is wholly bound to his.  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken;  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay.  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing;  
For in my need, His power is displayed.  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me;  
Through the deepest valley He will lead.  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;  
The future sure, the price it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon;  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated;  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free,  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus;  
For He has said that He will bring me home.  
And day by day I know He will renew me;  
Until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus;  
All the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus;  
All the glory evermore to Him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

## Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Greater than all my sin.  
How shall my tongue describe it?  
Where shall its praise begin?  
Taking away my burden,  
Setting my spirit free;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus  
reaches me.

### Refrain

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus;  
Deeper than the mighty rolling sea.  
Wonderful grace, all sufficient for me,  
Broader than the scope of my transgressions;  
Greater far than all my sin and shame.  
O magnify the precious name of Jesus;  
Praise His name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Reaching to all the lost.  
By it I have been pardoned,  
Saved to the uttermost.  
Chains have been torn asunder,  
Giving me liberty;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus  
reaches me.  
(Refrain)

Wonderful grace of Jesus,  
Reaching the most defiled.  
By its transforming power  
Making him God's dear child.  
Purchasing peace and heaven for all eternity;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus  
reaches me.  
(Refrain)

## Responsive Reading: Isa. 40:25-31

[Pastor:] To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him?  
says the Holy One.

[Congregation:] Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?  
He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by  
the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one  
is missing.

[Pastor:] Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden  
from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

[Congregation:] Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is  
the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not  
faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

[Pastor:] He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he  
increases strength.

[Congregation:] Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men  
shall fall exhausted;

[All:] but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they  
shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

## Cry Out to Jesus

To everyone who's lost someone they love,  
long before it was their time,  
You feel like the days you had were not enough  
when you said goodbye.

And to all of the people with burdens and pains,  
keeping you back from your life;  
You believe that there's nothing  
and there is no one who can make it right.

There is hope for the helpless,  
rest for the weary; love for the broken heart.  
There is grace and forgiveness,  
mercy and healing; he'll meet you wherever you are.  
Cry out to Jesus, cry out to Jesus.

For the marriage that's struggling  
just to hang on, they've lost all of their faith in love;  
they've done all they can to make it  
right again, still it's not enough.

For the ones who can't break  
addictions and chains, you try to  
give up, but you come back again;  
just remember that you're not alone  
in your shame and your suffering.

There is hope for the helpless,  
rest for the weary; love for the broken heart.  
There is grace and forgiveness, mercy and healing;  
he'll meet you wherever you are.  
Cry out to Jesus.

When you're lonely, and when it feels like the whole world is  
falling on you, just reach out, you just cry out to Jesus.  
Cry out to Jesus. Cry out to Jesus.

To the widow who struggles with being alone,  
wiping the tears from her eyes;  
for the children around the world without a  
home, say a prayer tonight.

There is hope for the helpless,  
rest for the weary; love for the broken heart.  
There is grace and forgiveness, mercy and healing; he'll meet  
you wherever you are. Cry out to Jesus. (Repeat)

## Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
look full in His wonderful face;  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,  
in the light of His glory and grace.

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## He Alone Is Worthy

He alone is worthy,  
To worship and adore,  
The Lamb of God victorious,  
Our risen Lord.  
He purchased our redemption,  
Our righteousness is He,  
Exalt the name of Jesus.  
He is worthy!  
(Repeat)

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