

## Romans choral reading

CHARACTERS: Paul, chorus. The chorus is split into Jews and Gentiles. Both groups read the ALL parts.

OPTION: Have the audience join in on the ALL parts. You may wish to show accompanying Power Point.

RUN TIME: 3-4 minutes

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Romans 1

### God's Good News

PPP: God's Son is Jesus Christ our Lord

ALL: a descendant of David according to the flesh

PPP: declared to be the powerful Son of God by the resurrection from the dead

ALL: We have received grace and apostleship through Him

PPP: to bring about the obedience of faith among all the nations on behalf of His name.

ALL: including yourselves who also belong to Jesus Christ

PPP: loved by God, called as saints.

ALL: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

PPP: I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you

ALL: because the news of your faith is being reported in the entire world.

PPP: God is my witness that I constantly mention you,

ALL: always asking in my prayers that if it is somehow in God's will,

PPP: I may now at last succeed in coming to you. For I want very much to see you,

ALL: To impart some spiritual gift to strengthen you,

PPP: that is, to be mutually encouraged by each other's faith,

ALL: both yours and mine.

PPP: For I am not ashamed of the gospel

ALL: because it is God's power for salvation

PPP: to everyone who believes,

JEWS: first to the Jew,

GENTILES: and also to the Greek or Gentile people.

PPP: In the gospel, God's righteousness is revealed from faith to faith,

JEWS: just as it is written:

ALL: The righteous will live by faith.

PPP: God's invisible attributes,

GENTILES: that is, His eternal power and divine nature,

PPP: have been clearly seen since the creation of the world,

ALL: being understood through what He has made.

PPP: As a result, people are without excuse.

ALL: For though they knew God,

PPP: they did not glorify Him as God or show gratitude.

JEWS: Instead, their thinking became nonsense,

GENTILES: and their senseless minds were darkened.

ALL: Claiming to be wise, they became fools

PPP: (sadly) and exchanged the glory of the immortal God

ALL: for images resembling mortal man, birds, four-footed animals, and reptiles.

PPP: They exchanged the truth of God for a lie,

ALL: and worshiped and served something created instead of the Creator,

PPP: who is praised forever.

ALL: Amen.