

Faithful Obligations



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⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. ⁹ God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you ¹⁰ in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

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¹¹ I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— ¹² that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith.

¹³ I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now)

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in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles. ¹⁴ I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish. ¹⁵ That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.

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¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”[[]

Christians are obligated to the church

Ways to fulfill your obligation to the church

- Pray for a specific church or the global church
- Assemble with the church
- Edify specific Christians or congregations
- Financially contribute to the church
- Be mindful of how you talk about the church
- Evangelize to grow the church

Christians are obligated to reach all
people

Ways to reach all people

- Maintain a healthy, open worship service
- Organize diverse opportunities for engagement
- Travel to diverse areas for interaction
- Be open in our faith among those in our daily life

Christians embrace their obligations by
being unashamed of the gospel