[1]Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,[2] (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)[3]Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;[4] And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:[5]By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:[6]Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:[7]To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.[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 any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you.[11] For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established;[12]That is, that I may be comforted together with you by the mutual faith both of you and me.[13]Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but was let hitherto,) that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among other Gentiles.[14]I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.[15]So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.[16]For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.[17]For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.[18]For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;[19]Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.[20]For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:[21]Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.[22]Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,[23]And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.[24] Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:[25]Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.[26]For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:[27]And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that

recompence of their error which was meet.[28]And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;[29]Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, [30]Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,[31]Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:[32]Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.