

**Bible**  
**Life Change Series**  
**Romans / Proverbs**

### **I. Course Description**

#### a. Romans

In this semester course the student will see Paul's unfolding of God's way to righteousness, how to be reconciled to Him, and transformed into the person God wants him to be. The life-changing truths of sin, salvation, grace, death, and resurrection will be discussed.

#### b. Proverbs

This semester course will explore the wealth of practical wisdom for everyday living. The student will discover how timeless teachings provide helpful guidelines on almost every aspect of personal conduct, including: goodness, folly, sin, wealth, poverty, the tongue, pride, humility, justice, vengeance, the family, life, and death.

### **II. Instructional Material**

#### a. Romans

Life Change Series, *A Life-Changing Encounter with God's Word from the Book of Romans*, NavPress, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 1994

Cash, Johnny, *Man in White*, Harper & Row Publisher, San Francisco, California, 1986

#### b. Proverbs

Life Change Series, *A Life-Changing Encounter with God's Word from the Book of Proverbs*, NavPress, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 1994

### **III. Course Goals and Objectives**

A Christian's life long goal is to become like Jesus. This course will give the student a firm understanding of the books of Romans and Proverbs, their historical context, purpose and meaning. The student will learn to observe, interpret and apply the books of Romans and Proverbs to their daily life. The Student will:

#### a. Romans

State why Paul wrote Romans

Define: apostle, righteousness, mercy, grace and justified

Explain why God gives people over to depraved minds and actions

Identify circumcision of the heart

Recognize the purpose of God's Law

Explain how we were formerly God's enemy

Contrast Adam and Jesus

Describe what it means to live under grace

Identify what the Law was powerless to do and explain why

Contrast the ways of life according to the Spirit or the flesh

Define God's purpose in choosing us

Explain why it seems God has rejected the Jewish people

Describe why both believing with the heart and confessing with the mouth are important to salvation

Review the evidence Paul gives to show that God has not rejected Israel as a whole

Explain how we should live 'in view of God's mercy'  
 Recognize why Christians should submit to governing authorities  
 Describe what to do when unsure whether something is right or wrong

b. Proverbs

State the author and theme of Proverbs  
 Define 'the fear of the Lord'  
 Discuss if wisdom is required more than the attainment of intellectual knowledge  
 Describe the three kinds of people on the path of folly and the consequences of living like them  
 Answer the three questions Proverbs asks about God  
 Explain family member's responsibility to govern their relationships according to wisdom  
 List the qualities of a good friendship  
 Identify how a wise person can avoid sexual disaster  
 Describe how God-centered living is wiser than self-centered living  
 Define and contrast pride and humility  
 Contrast the lazy man and the diligent man  
 Explain why avoiding lying, gossip, flattery and foolish talk is wise  
 Compare and contrast: happiness and heartache, contentment and envy, patience and quick temper  
 Discuss priorities and attitudes in dealing with poverty and wealth  
 Describe why folly leads to death and how wisdom relates to bodily health

**V. Course Outline**

First Quarter: Romans

1. Overview
2. Introduction (1:1-17)
3. The Wrath of God (1:18-32)
4. God's Standards (2:1-19)
5. Bad News/Good News (3:1-31)
6. Abraham's Righteousness (4:1-25)
7. Fruits of Righteousness (5:1-21)
8. United with Christ (6:1-14)
9. Under Grace (6:15-7:6)

Second Quarter

10. Law and Sin (7:7-25)
11. Life in the Spirit (8:1-17)
12. Certainty (8:17-39)
13. Israel (9:1-29)
14. Unbelief (9:30-10:21)
15. God's Plan (11:1-36)
16. Living Sacrifices (12:1-21)
17. Debts (13:1-14)
18. Weak and Strong (14:1 - 15:13)
19. Personal Words (15:14-16:27)
20. Looking Back & Review

Third Quarter: Proverbs

1. Wisdom's Benefits
2. The Futility of Folly
3. God and Man
4. The Family
5. Friendship
6. Sexual Purity

Fourth Quarter

7. The Blessings of Righteousness
8. Humility vs. Pride
9. Hard Work vs. Laziness
10. Proper Speech
11. Emotions
12. Wealth and Poverty
13. Life and Death
14. Looking Back - Challenge and Review

**VI. Evaluation**

Components

Daily work

Tests

Grading Scale

100-90% = A

89-80% = B

79-70% = C

69-60% = D

59-lower = F