

God's Words for Me

Scripture Reading — Romans 1:13-15

I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish. — Romans 1:14

If you ask, “For whom is God’s Word written?” someone will usually reply, “For everyone.” But when you ask a few more questions and dig deeper, you begin to see the answer is not so simple. Is the Bible written for people who couldn’t care less? Is it written for people who can’t read Hebrew or Greek? Is it written for atheists?

For example, if I took all the letters I wrote to my wife while we were dating, and made them into a book, and then asked for whom it was written, what would the answer be? Paul’s letter is for Greeks and non-Greeks, wise and foolish. But somewhere in that mix I too am included. God’s “letter” is for me too—not based on my nationality or amount of wisdom. It is for me because God loves me and calls me to belong to him in Jesus.

Here’s what this means: If I lean toward the foolish end, God’s Word is for me. If I am already wise and seasoned, God’s Word is for me. Why? Because God is not interested in simply teaching me theology. God wants me to know him and hear him and love him. That’s the whole point of the gospel. And that is why God’s letter through Paul to the Romans is for you. God’s desire, as with any letter, is that you open it and read it—and more than just a few times.

Prayer

Father God, sometimes my own sense of wisdom, or the lack of it, can hinder me from hearing your Word. Help me see that however and wherever I am, you desire me. In Christ, Amen.

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