

ROMANS LESSON 53

The GIFT in Romans 5:15-17

¹⁵ But the **free gift** is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the **grace** of God and the **free gift** by the **grace** of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶ And the **free gift** is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the **free gift** following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of **grace** and the **free gift** of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

CHARISMA

Strong's # 5486

χάρισμα

the gift that grace gives

This Greek noun appears six times in Romans, where it is translated "gift" once (1:11), "free gift" three times (5:15; 5:16; 6:23), and plural "gifts" twice (11:29; 12:6).

This word is built directly from the Greek word *charis*. It describes something given as an expression of grace, literally a "grace-gift."

CHARIS

Strong's # 5485

χάρις

the grace that gives

This Greek noun appears 24 times in Romans, where it is translated "grace" 21 times. In Romans 4:4, it is translated "gift." (It is twice translated "thanks.")

This word describes favor or generosity freely shown. It does not normally mean the gift given so much as the graciousness or favor involved in giving that gift.

DOREA

Strong's # 1431

δωρεά

giving/gift as a free bestowal

This Greek noun appears twice in Romans (5:15; 5:17), where it is translated "free gift."

This word describes a gift, particularly something freely bestowed. It often carries an emphasis on the gift's being gratuitous, that is, something bestowed rather than something earned or purchased.

DOREMA

Strong's # 1434

δώρημα

the thing freely bestowed

This Greek noun appears only once in Romans (5:16), where it is translated "free gift."

This word describes that which is given. The Greek *μα* ending often points toward the result or product of an action, as in "a thing given."