The book of Romans is about the Gospel.
- The Gospel of God.
- The Gospel was promised beforehand through the prophets in the Holy Scriptures.

The very first announcement of the gospel was in Genesis 3:15.
"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head and you will strike his heel."

We hear another part of the gospel in Genesis 12:3.
"I will bless those who bless you and whoever curses you I will curse; all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

"The Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: 'All nations will be blessed through you.'” Galatians 3:8

- The Gospel is about God’s Son.
- Paul’s assignment is to call the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith.
The themes that Paul introduces in chapter 1 come together in the doxology that closes this letter.

I. Praise God for his power. Verses 25-26

God has the power to make us stand in any circumstance.

“We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.”
Colossians 1:28

The word establish means to prop up or to make us stand. It is the same word used in Romans 1:11.
God makes us stand when we think we can’t.

One of my favorite benedictions in Scripture is I Thessalonians 5:23-24.

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.”

The means that God uses to strengthen us is the gospel.

“In the gospel, we discover we are far worse off than we thought, and far more loved than we ever dreamed.”

Stephen Curtis Chapman

The gospel is the mystery hidden for long ages past but now revealed – “by the command of the eternal God.”

“But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son...to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights as sons.” Galatians 4:4

God’s desire is that all the nations might believe and obey him.
II. Praise God for his wisdom. Verse 27

Who but God could have come up with a gospel of grace?
“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from your selves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.”
Ephesians 2:8-9

“To the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ!”
Romans 16:27

“For from him and through him and to him are all things.”
Romans 11:36

Conclusion

Praise God for his infinite wisdom.
Praise God for his infinite power.