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Week Two Review Questions - Romans

1. *What task hindered Paul from visiting Rome? What event hindered Paul from visiting Rome?*

Paul wanted to complete his task of delivering an offering to the Jews in Jerusalem that he had gathered from the Gentiles which prevented him from visiting Rome. The event that hindered Paul from visiting Rome previously was the fact that Emperor Claudius had expelled all Jews and Jewish Christians from Rome and Paul himself was a Jew.

2. *Comment on the following: "Paul couches all of his theological arguments in terms of the Jew/Gentile situation."*

Every theological argument Paul makes is a response to the division between Jewish Christians and Gentile Christians in Rome. These arguments aren't just generic theology for theology's sake; they were written for a specific purpose and that purpose was to level the ground that both Jew and Gentile stand on. Whether Paul is writing about justification by faith alone (chapter 4) or about "judging others" (chapter 14) it is all in relations to saying that we are all the same before Christ: Romans 3:23-4 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus."