

Romans

Human Problem, Divine Solution

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Applying the Text:

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3. Paul seems to want to catch all humanity in his indictment. Has he missed anyone? Where has he caught you?
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