

# Week One

Read Romans 9:1-5

1. What does Paul “say”?
2. What does his conscience do?
3. In verse 2, what does Paul have? Why?
4. In verse 3, what is Paul saying here? Who are his brethren and kinsmen?
5. What would be in the heart of a missionary in a foreign land, giving the hope of eternal life, while at the same time his own country remained in darkness, without Christ, and going to hell?
6. Do you think Paul’s love for Israel went beyond human love? Explain
7. Could Paul actually fulfill this wish (verse 3)? Why or why not? Use Scripture to back your answer.

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8. In verse 4, what are all the privileges mentioned?

9. Who do they belong to? (Deut. 7:6-8, Romans 3:1-2)

10. What dispensation?

11. Who did Israel descend from? (Genesis 32:28)

Let's look at each of these privileges deeper:

Adoption - Read Exodus 4:22 and Hosea 11:1 and write down what you learn. (Romans 9:4 - National Adoption; Romans 8:15,23, Gal. 4:4-5 - Individual Adoption)

The manifest GLORY of God - this is Shekinah Glory - Read Exodus 16:10, 40:34 and write down what you learn.

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The Covenants - Read Isaiah 55:3 and Acts 3:25 and write down what you learn.

How many covenants did God give THE NATIONS? (Genesis 9:8-9)

How many covenants did God give to Israel and what are they?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - Genesis 15:7-21, 17:1-14
2. \_\_\_\_\_ - Exodus 19:5-8, Jeremiah 31:32
3. \_\_\_\_\_ - Deuteronomy 29-31, 30:1-9
4. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2 Samuel 7:5-19, Psalm 89
5. \_\_\_\_\_ - Jeremiah 31:31-36 - See Romans 11:26-27

Mosaic Law - Giving of the Law - Read Deut. 4:8, Ex. 20:1-17, Romans 3:1-2, and Gal. 3:19 and write down what you learn.

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The Aaronic Priesthood - The Service of God - Read Heb. 9:1,6,9, John 4:22-23, Heb. 10:11-12 and write down what you learn.

The Promises - Read Gen. 12:1-3, Is. 7:14, 9:7, Matt. 1:21-23, Zech. 14:9 and write down what you learn.

Read Romans 15:8 and write down what it says about Jesus' earthly ministry:

12. In verse 5, who are the "fathers"? See Acts 3:13, Ex. 32:13, Matt. 8:11, and Ex. 3:6, 15-16.

13. "of whom as concerning the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen." The greatest benefit is saved for last! The greatest Person Who was ever born was a Jew - even though Israel has not recognized His importance. Read Matt. 1:1, John 1:11, Matt. 1:16, Luke 3:23, Gal. 3:16;4:4 and write down what you learn about Jesus.

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14. Did Israel benefit from all the benefits given to them by God?

15. What happened instead? Read Gal. 1:6, Jer. 31:32, Rom. 10:3-4, 4:12, Matt. 27:22, and Acts 2:36 and write down what you learn.

## SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

1. What has God given us today?
2. What advantage and benefits do we have?
3. What are we doing with what we (Body of Christ) have been given?
4. What are we doing with the (completed) Bible we have?
5. Are we being like Israel or like the “fathers”?

## WEEK TWO

Read Romans 9:6-13

1. How could Paul claim that the word of God had not failed when it appeared that relatively few Jews were coming to faith in Christ? (answer is in verse 6)
2. True or False: Being related to Abraham automatically makes one counted as the spiritual seed of Abraham. Explain your answer. (John 8:37-39, 44, 46-47, Romans 2:28-29)
3. True or False: Natural birth was not enough, nor human effort. The descendants of Abraham also had to have a spiritual birth - faith like Abraham. Explain your answer. (John 1:12-13, 3:6-7)

Even though one was an Israelite, unless they believed in Christ the Messiah, they were not a true Israelite.

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4. Throughout Israel's history, there was only a remnant who believed and took God at His Word. Let's look at some Scripture that supports this - write down what you learn:

Isaiah 1:9 -

Isaiah 10:22 (Romans 9:27) -

Jeremiah 23:3 -

Ezekiel 6:8 -

Romans 11:5 -

5. In verse 7, what is Paul talking about?

6. Who are the children of the flesh (v 8)?

7. What does this verse say the children of the flesh are not?

8. Who are the children of promise (see John 8:24, 31, 47, 10:27)?

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9. Who was this seed promised through?

10. Fill out the chart below (What was promised to Abraham?):

Gen. 13:16, 28:14	Gen. 22:17	Gen. 22:18

11. What son was born by Abraham's immoral union with Hagar?

12. But what son did God promise Abraham (Gen. 17:19-21)?

13. Physically Isaac and Ishmael were Abraham's children, but in the spiritual realm, God only chose one to receive His promises. Look at the chart above and write down what those promises were:

14. So a true Jew had how many fathers?



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21. When was the choice made for Rebecca's sons (vs. 11)?
22. Was it based on anything they did?
23. Is vs. 12 talking about individuals or nations that came out of the individuals?
24. Why did God say, "Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated?"
25. Where did Israel, God's chosen nation, come from (Gen. 32:28)?
26. Was Jacob a man of faith (Heb. 11:21)?
27. What about Esau (Heb. 12:16, Gen. 25:23, 36:8-43, Mal. 1:2-5)?
28. Look up the following verses on the Edomites and write down what you learn:  
Lam. 4:21-22, Ez. 25:12-14, Amos 1:11, Obad. 1:8-10

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Read Romans 9:13-20

1. Go back and read verse 11 in Romans 9. “Not of works, but of him that calleth.” How is Jacob’s covenantal blessing similar to how the Body of Christ comes to salvation today?
2. What could you say “Jacob have I loved” means?
3. What about “Esau have I hated?”

A lady to Mr. Spurgeon: “I cannot understand why God would say that He hated Esau.” Spurgeon replied: “That’s not difficult to me, madam. My trouble is to understand how God could love Jacob.”

The amazing thing is not that men are lost and hell bound; that is what we all deserve. The amazing thing is that anyone is bound for heaven! That is why the gospel is amazing grace!

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4. What 2 questions does Paul ask in verse 14?
5. "What shall we say then" to what?
6. What is Paul's answer?

Paul says, perish the thought. God is perfectly holy, fair, and just in all that He does. There was and is unrighteousness with Esau and Jacob, and with all humans, but not with God. The Judge of all the earth will do right! If God would be unfair, He would cease to be God. If God operated based on man's good works, none of us would make it!

7. What are the four "I wills" in verse 15?

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8. Write out what the following statements from verse 16 mean:

“It is not of him that willeth” -

“Nor of him that runneth” -

“But of God that showeth mercy” (see Rom. 11:32, Eph. 3:8-11, 20-21) -

9. Who does Paul use as an example in verse 17?

10. What does verse 17 say God did (3 things)?

11. What is the purpose (“for this same purpose”)?

12. Did God hardening Pharaoh’s heart cause his (Pharaoh) lack of faith (Ex. 5:1-2)?

13. Was God unfair with Moses (9:15)?

14. Who hardened Pharaoh’s heart (2 answers)? See Ex. 4:21, 9:12, 8:32

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15. Was God glorified in Pharaoh's defeat (Ex. 9:16, 14:4)?

16. Who will God have mercy on ?

17. And who will He harden (Rom. 1:24,26,28, Heb. 3:13)?

18. Look at Deut. 2:30, Josh. 11:20, and 1 Sam. 6:6 and see how God's purpose was fulfilled many times using hardening. Write down what you observe:

19. What was unbelieving Israel's hardened heart used to bring (Heb. 2:10-11)?

20. What does Paul say they (Israel) will say unto him (vs. 19) and what questions does he ask in verse 20?

21. Does man even have the right to reason against God? See 1 Cor. 1:19-21

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22. If God shows mercy to one, is He under obligation to show mercy to all?
23. Does He offer mercy to all anyway? If yes, how?
24. Does God owe men anything? Daniel 4:35, Isaiah 46:9-12
25. What reason did God show mercy to certain people in Israel (Ex. 20:5-6)?
26. In these 20 verses (Rom. 9:1-20), what have you noticed there is no mention of?

# WEEK FOUR

Read Romans 9:20-33

## **REVIEW:**

1. Paul has been showing that NOT ALL Israelites are \_\_\_\_\_ Israelites. There are the natural, unbelieving Jews (majority), and then there are the true physical spiritual Jews (remnant). To show this, Paul has given examples from Israel's history: Ishmael - Isaac and Esau - Jacob.
2. Paul also teaches that God can show mercy to whomever He determines, He wants or chooses. We have seen that God does give mercy to those who \_\_\_\_\_ Him. But we know, whomever He chooses to give mercy to, there is no unrighteousness with God. He always does what is right, and when man questions His decisions, they should remember Isaiah 55:8-9: For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.
3. Remember, Paul is addressing his own kinsmen and will be sharing the nation's history somewhat: the true believing Jews and false Jews, what happened to Israel - why God has temporarily set her aside - and Israel's future hope.

## **Lesson:**

1. In verse 20, what two questions does Paul ask?
2. Why does God find fault with Israel?
3. Who resists His will? See Job 13:15 and 40:1-5 and write down what you learn.



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7. Read Jeremiah 18:1-12 and write down what Paul is quoting in Romans 9:21.

8. Who is the Potter?

9. Who is the clay?

10. Who are the two vessels?

11. How many lumps of clay is mentioned here?

12. Who is the vessel of honor? What about the vessel of dishonor?

13. "Willing to shew his wrath..." Upon who? See Hosea 8:2-8,14

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14. The final wrath has not yet come. See Revelation 6:17 and 2 Peter 3:9-10 and write down what you learn.

15. "Endured with much longsuffering...." Peter also talks about this. See 2 Peter 3:15-16 and write down what he says.

16. Fill in the chart below on God's longsuffering:

1 Peter 3: 20	
Matt. 13:24-30	
2 Cor. 5:19 1 Tim. 1:16	
Rom. 2:3-5	

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17. Jesus spoke to two vessels in Israel. In verse 23, Paul says, “make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy...” Look up the following verses and write down what you learn:

- a. Matt. 13:16
- b. Matt. 19:28
- c. Luke 12:32
- d. Isa. 46:13
- e. Rom. 9:4

18. What about the unbelieving?

- a. Matt. 7:21
- b. Matt. 21:43-45
- c. Matt. 23:29,33

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Remember the context:

- Verse 6 - The Word of God to Israel is effectual even in Israel's fall, because....
- Verse 6,8 - Not all of Israel in the flesh....it is a word given of promise (not to flesh)
- Verse 16,18 - It is by the mercy of God at His will (not of man's effort, man must repent)
- Verse 21-23 - God forms the nation, honors the nation, destroys the nation, saves the nation
- You can be the clay formed by God and not be a vessel to receive glory (i.e. destroyed)

19. In verse 24, who is the "us"?

20. What Gentiles are being spoken of here? Is this the Body of Christ? Remember the context!!!

21. Remember:

- a. Romans 2 is time past, under law. In Romans 2:3-8, who gets wrath? In Romans 2:9-10, who gets glory?
- b. Romans 3, all under sin. In Romans 3:3,9, who is counted in unbelief and sin?
- c. Romans 3:29 - is He the just and justifier of the Jews only? See Galatians 3:7-8

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Read Romans 9:20-33

22. Does He have mercy to the Jews only? What about the Ninevites? The adulteress woman? Ruth? Rahab?

23. Does God harden only the Gentiles? See Romans 11:29-32

24. Look up Genesis 12:3 and Romans 15:9-12 and write down what the Jew and Gentile will receive in Israel's fullness.

25. In verse 25, Paul uses the name Osee. Who is this?

26. If Osee says the same thing as Romans 9:21-24, is this for the mystery church?

27. "I will call them..." Who are the "called people" spoken of here? See Romans 9:3-4, 7, 11, 23-24

28. "My people" - who is this? Is this the same group as "not my people?"

29. What is God calling Israel back to in Hosea 1:10 and 2:23?

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30. What does “which were not” and “beloved not” refer to?

31. Look up the following verses and write down what you observe:

a. Hosea 1:2-7

b. Hosea 1:8-9

32. What do “my people” and “her beloved” speak to? See Hosea 3:1, 4-5

33. In verse 26, Paul quotes Hosea and says, “that in the place where it was said unto them.” Where is this place?

34. What tense is “it shall come to pass?”

35. What “shall they be called?”

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36. In verse 27, who is Esaias?

37. What does Esaias also do?

38. Read Isaiah 10:20-22. How many will return to God?

39. "A remnant shall be saved" shows what?

40. Verse 28 says "he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth." When will this happen?

41. What does the "Lord of Sabaoth" mean?

42. What is left of Israel (verse 29)?

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43. All of these verses speak of the judgment of Israel? Where is the hope?

44. What is the question Paul asks in verse 30?

45. What has true righteousness always been by?

46. "which followed not after righteousness" - See Galatians 2:14-15 and write down what Gentiles are.

47. "have attained to righteousness...of faith" See Galatians 2:16

48. Was Paul preaching another gospel to them or explaining their own scriptures? See Galatians 3:6-9

49. Are the Gentiles Paul is talking about here the Body of Christ?

50. "But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness." What is this saying?

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51. Who is the stumblingstone?

52. Facts about the stone (Justin Johnson - Grace Ambassadors)

- a. It is in Sion (Israel) - Isaiah 8:13-15 - the LORD is a rock of offence to Israel
- b. It concerns believing the Word of God - Isaiah 8:16, 1 Peter 2:6-9
- c. It is "him," which is the Lord Jesus Christ - Isaiah 28 speaks of Jesus Christ's ministry.
- d. Isaiah 28:9-14 - He offers them truth, rest, refreshing, but the rulers would not hear Him
- e. Isaiah 28:15-16 - a stumbling stone put forth for whosoever to believe (faith required)
- f. Isaiah 28:21 - God does a strange work: benefit by tearing down, pruning, threshing
- g. Isaiah 28:23-29 - Contains a parable for the sower concerning Israel, just as Jesus declared
- h. Isaiah 28:22-23 - Be not mockers, but hear His voice (Paul says to boast not due to faith)
- i. Isaiah says the stone is prophesied. Peter speaks of the stone as occurring before Acts 2.
- j. Find the stone after the parable in Matt. 21:23, 42-43
- k. The kingdom given to a nation bearing fruit (faith) of other husbandman (remnant Israel)
- l. Next chapter, there is the parable of the marriage supper - Matt. 22:1-10, Luke 14:16-24
- m. There would be poor and troubled Israel and Gentiles get in before the self-righteous
- n. The stone was Christ Jesus, the stumbling was the need for faith - John 3:18
- o. Israel stumbled at the stone. Some Gentiles did not and some Israel did not (remnant)