Romans 9
God’s Sovereign Glory

Romans Outline:

Ch 1-3 The Wrath of God

Ch 3-8 The Grace of God

Ch9-11 The Plan of God

Ch 12-16 The Will of God

1-5 Sorrow for Israel

1-3 Paul is willing to be accursed himself for the sake of Israel

Exodus 34-Moses asks to die for Israel

John 3:16- Jesus dies for the world

1John 2:2 “He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world”

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Expiation- The removal of our sin and guilt

Heb 9:27 Only the high priest entered the inner room, and only once a year. Never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed

6-9 Not All Israel Is Israel

Israel by flesh or Israel by faith

V6-God's word has not failed

V7-Children of the promise, not just of the flesh, are counted as offspring

V8-Gen 18:10- God's promise of Isaac

V9-The promise to Abraham & Sarah

10-13 Jacob I Loved

Rebekah's twins: chosen before either had done good or bad.

God's purpose stands by Him who calls, not by human works.

"Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated"

Grace is never earned.

14-18 Is God Unjust? No!

“I will have mercy on whom I have mercy” (Ex 33:19)

Salvation depends on God’s mercy

Pharaoh: raised up so God’s power and name would be proclaimed in all the earth (Exodus 9:16)

All mercy we receive is a gift of God

Pharaoh rejected God’s word.
Pharaoh hardened his heart.
God fortified Pharaoh’s decision.

Abraham accepted God’s word.
Abraham softened his heart.
God fortified Abraham’s decision.

19-21 The Potter and the Clay

V20- “Who are you, O man, to answer back to God?”

The potter has the right over the clay
The Creator has the right over creation

God is Creator; we are His creation.

Humility is the correct response to His sovereignty and majesty.

22-24 Vessels of Mercy

V22- God endures human sin with great patience

V23- He prepared vessels of mercy beforehand for glory

He has called us, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles

Mercy is for anyone who comes to Him

25-29 A Remnant Saved

V26-28 Hosea 2:23 “A people, not my people” will be called “my people”

V29 Isaiah 10:22 A remnant of Israel will be saved.

Without the Lord’s mercy, we would be like Sodom and Gomorrah.

God keeps His promises

Jeremiah 31:35-36 This is what the LORD says: “He who appoints the sun to shine by day, who decrees the moon and stars to shine by night, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar; the LORD Almighty is His name:
“Only if these decrees vanish from My sight,” declares the LORD, “will Israel ever cease being a nation before me.”

30-33 Righteousness by Faith

Gentiles who did not pursue works righteousness, attained it by faith.

Israel pursued the law by works and stumbled over the stumbling stone

“Whoever believes in him will not be put to shame” (v. 33)

Christ is the rock we trust in or trip over

We cannot receive what Jesus gives unless we receive Who Jesus is.

-Jesus gives salvation from the penalty of sin and God’s wrath

-Jesus is Lord

The Invitation

God is sovereign and God is good

Jesus is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2)

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Rom 10:13)

Will you believe in Him today?