

## Bible Study – Romans chapter 9

Give an overview of Romans 9?

- 1) How does Paul start this chapter? (vs.1 – 2)  
What does he say about himself and his feelings?
- 2) What did Paul wish for? (vs. 3 – 4a)  
Did he wish that for himself or someone else?  
How did Paul identify himself with the people of Israel?
- 3) List everything that belonged to the people of Israel. (vs. 4 – 5)
- 4) Why would there be a consideration of God's word having failed? (v.6)  
What did Paul mean by "For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel."?
- 5) Are all of the descendants of Abraham his children?  
Through whom are the offspring of Abraham? (7)  
Genesis 21: 8 – 13
- 6) Who aren't and are the children of God? (v.8)  
What is meant by "the children of the flesh"?  
What is meant by "the children of the promise"?
- 7) What was the promise? (v.9)  
Who was the promise made to?
- 8) Who was Rebekah? (v.10)  
Who was Isaac?
- 9) Who were Rebekah's children? (vs.11 – 12)  
What was God's purpose that was revealed?  
Who did God elect and who did God reject?  
Was this on the basis of their good or bad works?  
What was the basis of God's election?
- 10) Who did God love and who did he hate? (v.13)  
Does God hate people?  
Read: Psalm 5: 4 – 5; Psalm 11: 5; John 3: 16; Luke 14: 26
- 11) What rhetorical question does Paul ask and what is the answer? (v.14)
- 12) What did God say to Moses? (v.15)  
Why did Paul quote this?
- 13) What does our salvation not depend on and what does it depend on? (v.16)
- 14) Why did God raise Pharaoh up? (v.17)
- 15) What do we learn from verse 18?
- 16) What is the human argument against God's mercy and hardening of hearts? (v.19)
- 17) What is the answer to the human argument? (v.20)  
Two rhetorical questions

- 18) What analogy does Paul use in verse 21?
- 19) How does God show his wrath and his power known? (v.22)  
Who are vessels of wrath?  
Did they become vessels of wrath or were they prepared by God to be vessels of wrath?
- 20) Why does he do that? (v.23)  
Who are his vessels of mercy?  
When did he prepare them?
- 21) Where do his vessels of mercy come from? (v.24)  
Did they choose to be vessels of mercy or were they called to be vessels of mercy?
- 22) Did God have a people? (v.25 - 26)  
Who were not his people that he will call his people?  
How will he treat his people whom he calls?  
What will his beloved be called?  
John 1: 12; 1 John 3: 1
- 23) Will all of Israel be saved? V.27)
- 24) What does Paul mean by “the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay.”  
(v.28)
- 25) Why did Paul quote from Isaiah? (v.29)  
How is what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah relevant to the nation of Israel?  
Who are God’s offspring that he left?
- 26) How did the Gentiles attain righteousness? (v.30)
- 27) What did the Israel pursue? (v.31)  
Did they succeed?
- 28) Why didn’t they succeed? (vs.31 – 33)  
What did they stumble over?  
Who is the stumbling stone and rock of offense?  
What is the benefit for those who believe in him?  
Read Matthew 21: 42 – 46