

Heritage Alliance Church March 3, 2024 Pastor Shawn

Part 13 Mercy & Sovereignty of God

The Good News Outline - Romans

- Good news tells us how God makes us right in His sight (1:16-17).
- Everyone is guilty of sin and will be judged guilty (3:23).
- God makes us right in His sight by faith in Jesus Christ (3:22, 4:5).
- Wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life. (6:23)
- We are adopted into God's family and given life by His Spirit (8:14-17)

Helpful Guide when reading Chapters 9-11

Paul emphasizes God's sovereignty & mercy in choosing people according to His Plan

God chose Israel: Paul discusses the special relationship between God and Israel, emphasizing that despite Israel's rejection of Christ as the Messiah, God has not abandoned His chosen people. He affirms that God's promises to Israel remain valid.

Redemption for Jews and Gentiles: Paul explains that both Jews and Gentiles are included in God's plan of <u>salvation through faith in Jesus Christ</u>. He stresses that salvation is not based on ethnicity or observance of the law but on faith in Jesus. Key Verses:

"If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:9-13

God chose to include Gentiles: Paul discusses the inclusion of Gentiles into the family of God, emphasizing that salvation is now available to all who believe, not just to the Jews. He warns against Gentile arrogance and reminds them of the Jewish roots of their faith.

God's Faithfulness: Throughout these chapters, Paul underscores God's faithfulness to His promises, even when humans fail or reject Him. He assures believers that God's plan of redemption will ultimately prevail, bringing glory to His name.

Mystery of God's Plan: Paul acknowledges the mystery surrounding God's plan for Israel and the Gentiles, affirming that it surpasses human understanding. He encourages humility and trust in God's wisdom and goodness.

God is Sovereign

God's is at work redeeming creation to himself, and we are invited to participate. God purposes will be accomplished through our obedience or dis-obedience. God is a merciful God, and desires that everyone is part of His Kingdom.

March 10th – Romans 12

Response to God's Mercy – Yourself as a living sacrifice To God and give Authentic Love to others.

March 17th – Romans 13 **Living in a broken world** – submit, love, resist, be ready

March 24th – Palm Sunday - Romans 14 **Rights and Responsibilities**

March 31th – Easter Sunday – **God made a way**