

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 9:22-29

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

GOD'S GOOD — GOOD SOVEREIGNTY — PART 3

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology
And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

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Romans 9:22-29

What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, 23 AND that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, 24 even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but ALSO of the Gentiles? :25 As He says also in Hosea: *"I will call them My people, who were not My people, and her beloved, who was not beloved."* 26 *"And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' there they shall be called sons of the living God."* :27 Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: *"Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, the remnant will be saved. 28 For He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because the LORD will make a short work upon the earth."* 29 And as Isaiah said before: *"Unless the LORD of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we would have become like unto Sodom, and we would have been made likened unto Gomorrah."*

“GOD'S GOOD - GOOD SOVEREIGNTY

**All of this is working off of what might be the most powerful declaration of
Biblical truth of comfort ever!**

Romans 8:28-30

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

GOD'S GOOD - GOOD SOVEREIGNTY

1.) Is Rooted In His Character vs. 14-15

2.) Is Anchored To His Justice vs. 16-18

3.) Is Established In His Purposes vs. 19-21

Isaiah 55:10-11

“For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, **11** So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

GOD'S GOOD - GOOD SOVEREIGNTY

4.) Is Awesome In All His Glory vs. 22-24

4a.) His Wrath is Glorious vs. 22

22 What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction,

These Are Hard Things to Consider without a
Grounded Biblical Footing.

wrath grk: or'ge
divine anger, pure vengeance, His holiness.

To this - We agree with Job & Isaiah when they say...

Job 26:14 ESV

Behold, these are but the outskirts of His ways, and how small a whisper do we hear of Him! But the thunder of His power - who can understand?"

Isaiah 40:13 KJV

Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being His counsellor - hath taught Him?

This We Know for Sure.

“His Wrath is His Divine Application of His Justice.”
(“You can’t have justice without wrath and only God alone is qualified because His wrath is pure and just”)

This has always made me chuckle a lil’ every time I hear it.

“What if God” – We usually hear someone or ourselves think or say
“If I were God”

There is a great and yet severe warning here;

Isaiah 45:9

“Woe unto him who strives with his Maker

strive

heb: rub

is to contend with or to argue with. to complain, to find fault with, to quarrel with, to disagree with, to oppose and blame.

Romans 2:4-5

Or do you despise (1) the riches of His goodness, (2) forbearance, and (3) longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? **5** But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,

Destruction is Coming Against All Those Who Strive with God.

Isaiah 63:10

But they (Israel) rebelled and grieved His Holy Spirit; So He (Holy Spirit) turned Himself against them as an enemy, *And He fought against them.*

So Learn This Lesson Now - Stop Striving against God.

Ephesians 2:5-8

Even when we were dead in trespasses, *He* made us alive together with Christ (*by grace you have been saved*), **6** and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, **7** that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. **8** For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,

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IS AWESOME IN ALL HIS GLORY**

4b.) His Glory is All Consuming

vs. 23

23 AND that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory,

There is an All Consuming Glory Coming!

Isaiah 63:1-4

1 Who is this who comes from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah This One who is glorious in His apparel, Traveling in the greatness of His strength? - *"I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save."* 2 Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? 3 *"I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes.* 4 For the day of vengeance is in My heart, And the year of My redeemed (Israel) has come.

Revelation 19:6-16

And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! **7** Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife (the church) has made herself ready...." **8** And to Her (the church) it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints (the church). **9** Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God." **10** And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See *that you do not do that!* I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." **11** Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. **12** His eyes *were* like a flame of fire, and on His head *were* many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. **13** He *was* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. **14** And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, (the church). followed Him on white horses. **15** Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. **16** And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written:
KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

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IS AWESOME IN ALL HIS GLORY**

4c.) His Salvation is Exclusive

vs. 24

even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but ALSO of the Gentiles?

It's exclusively for those who have put their faith
in Christ / Messiah alone – plus nothing!

I cannot think of a greater commentary on this verse than the following;

Ephesians 2:11-14

Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh - who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands - **12** that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. **14** For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation,

Galatians 3:26-28

For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. **27** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

GOD'S GOOD - GOOD SOVEREIGNTY

5.) Is Evidence That Has Gone Out

vs. 25-26

5a.) The Evidence of His Invitation

vs. 25

**As He says also in Hosea: "I will call them My people, who were not
My people, and her beloved, who was not beloved."**

Like a public address system or news bulletin – God reminds us that His desire is to invite
the lost to be found.

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IS EVIDENCED THAT HAS GONE OUT**

5b.) The Evidence of His Generosity

vs. 25b-26

"I will call them My people, who were not My people, and her beloved, who was not beloved." 26 "And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' there they shall be called sons of the living God."

Hosea 1:9-10 = Israel

This is not God changing His mind – It is Israel changing her heart.
They once were - Then they were not – Then they were again

The foundational basis is faith in Him

Hosea 2:23 = Israel

Jeremiah 31:1-3

"At the same time," says the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people." 2 Thus says the LORD: "The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness - Israel, when I went to give him rest." 3 The LORD has appeared of old to me, saying: "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you."

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6.) Is Gathering a People For Himself

vs. 27-29

6a.) He Has Been Gathering

vs. 27

Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: *"Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, the remnant will be saved."*

Jesus said "Not one will be lost"

There always has been a Remnant of Israel who had the faith of Abraham.
There Is now today a Remnant of Israel who have the faith of Abraham.
And there will be a Remnant of Israel who will have the faith of Abraham.

GOD'S GOOD - GOOD SOVEREIGNTY IS GATHERING A PEOPLE FOR HIMSELF

6b.) He Is Now Gathering

vs. 28

***For He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness,
because the LORD will make a short work upon the earth."***

For us it seems as though it's an eternity. But in the scope of eternity, God announces to us that the work He is doing with the church over these past 2000 years is something that is limited and predetermined to have a particular time or epic epoch, that we would call the church age.

Or otherwise known as the age of Grace. This is a time that since the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the birth of the church on the day of Pentecost, the vehicle by which the gospel would be preached to the end of the Earth would come through the church itself.

This is a major point for each and every one of us.

You and I are to be united together, in the work of getting out the gospel to as many men and women and boys and girls as possible. For every single one of us, there is a collective work of the Holy Spirit, who calls us to one singular mission, no matter where we might be in the world as believers, and that is to preach the gospel to the world and to make disciples of all those who believe.

Listen, my friend, are you part of the church of Jesus Christ? And if you are, you and I together are playing a role in God's grand design to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

We Gather together to Gather together.

Our Fellowship in Song. In Praise. In Givng. In Action. In Unity. In Obedience. In Love. In Love for One Another. -
We Gather Because the Spirit of the Lord is in You, Thus He is in this Place

Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age." Amen.

Go grk: poreu/omai poreuomai, por-yoo'-om-ahee.
to traverse to and fro. travel onward and outward, to remove yourself from one place to another place, to take a journey, to walk on to the next place and then to the next place.
to go as in - get up, get out, get going!

6c.) He Will Be Gathering

vs. 29

And as Isaiah said before: "Unless the LORD of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we would have become like unto Sodom, and we would have been made likened unto Gomorrah."

The LORD of Sabaoth (Hosts / Armies) =
(LORD of or over all Angels, Demons, Creation – all Humanity.

Isaiah 1:9

Unless the LORD of hosts Had left to us a very small remnant, We would have become like Sodom, We would have been made like Gomorrah.

Here is God's Good - Good Sovereignty in Action.

Matthew 13:47-50

*"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, **48** which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away. **49** So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, **50** and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth."*

Galatians 3:28-29

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** And if you *are* Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

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