# THE BOOK OF ROMANS

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

## Romans 11:33-36

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#### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY - PART 7

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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# The Reading of Our Text

#### Romans 11:33-36

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Amen.

Allow Me to Applaud You for Enduring This Deep Dive in The Book of Romans 9-11

## **UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY**

7.) IS WHERE God desires you to be forever

vs. 33-36

Under The Shadow Of The Almighty

# IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE FOREVER

7a.) We will forever be discovering

vs. 33

33 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

## In what Appears to be an Explosion of Doxology There are Several Doxologies in the book of Romans – But none are quite like this...

"Here theology turns to poetry. Here the seeking of the mind turns to the adoration of the heart." - William Barkley

# Forever Discovering God's Personality & Nature (to adventure, to explore, to expedition, to find and then to find again, and again...)

- Depths grk: bathos The depth of deep water. (imagery = the endless, seemingly bottomless depth of the sea. (38,000 ft ")
- Riches grk: ploutos owned wealth, wealth possessed, wealth in hand.

#### Wisdom grk: Sophia cleverness, intellectual prowess, the knowledge of God, what God knows is in action which is His wisdom on display. (Psalm 19)

#### Knowledge grk: gnosis what is to God, His knowing - understanding of all things (known to us and not known to us). The purpose, the why and the reason to everything.

Unsearchable grk: : an exercune tos untraceable, unable to find the tracks or prints.

#### Psalm 77:19

#### Your way was in the sea, Your path in the great waters, and Your footsteps were not known.

- Judgements grk krima His sentence, His ruling, His verdict.
- Ways grk: hodos His direction as in movements, His coming and going are beyond human capabilities. Highway, road, streets.

Finding grk: anexichniastos

to seek to track down, to seek to find out - - that which cannot be traced fathomed - - unfathomable.

# All of that For All of this…

Psalm 46:10-11

Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth! 11 The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.

## A Foretaste of Glory Divine

Exodus 24:16-17

Now the glory of the LORD rested on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. 17 The sight of the glory of the LORD was like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel.

His Universal Desire of His People - is His Glory Made Known.

1 Chronicles 16:24 Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.

His Glory is Our Passion.

Psalm 3:3

But You, O LORD, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head.

The Glory of God is His Effect.

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Isaiah 55:9

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

Isaiah 40:28

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

Psalms 145:3

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable.

#### Colossians 1:15-19

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. 19 For it pleased *the Father that* in Him all the fullness should dwell.

Job 5:8-9

"But as for me, I would seek God, and to God I would commit my cause - - 9 Who does great things, and unsearchable, marvelous things without number.

# The Glory of Our Future Home Awaits

#### John 14:1-3

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

#### Revelation 21:11, 23-24, 26

(The City of God) Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. :23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. 24 And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. :26 And they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it.

## Under The Shadow Of The Almighty IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE FOREVER

7b.) We will forever be learning

vs. 34-35

34 "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor

I do not understand the things that God does – Yet over time I am thankful for Him doing exactly what He has done.

My personal witness of what He did to me in Mark 7

#### Mark 7:31-37 NLT

Jesus left Tyre and went up to Sidon before going back to the Sea of Galilee and the region of the Ten Cities 32 A deaf man with a speech impediment was brought to him, and the people begged Jesus to lay his hands on the man to heal him. 33 Jesus led him away from the crowd so they could be alone. He put his fingers into the man's ears. Then, spitting on his own fingers, he touched the man's tongue. 34 Looking up to heaven, he sighed and said, "Ephphatha," which means, "Be opened!" 35 Instantly the man could hear perfectly, and his tongue was freed so he could speak plainly! 36 Jesus told the crowd not to tell anyone, but the more he told them not to, the more they spread the news. 37 They were completely amazed and said again and again, "Everything he does is wonderful. He even makes the deaf to hear and gives speech to those who cannot speak."

Verse 35

35 "Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to Him?"

# Who has given to God to the extent that – Now God owes you?

Repaid grk:

to anticipate (God), to go before (God), to be first (God at second) or ahead of (God).

# We would never admit this – but the truth is;

1. "Why is this happening to me God?" or

2. "What did I do to deserve this God?"

3. "God - I thought You loved me?"

# These all come from our carnal attitude of equation or equity or inclusion.

#### Matthew 19:23-27

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. 24 And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." :25 When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" :26 But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." :27 Then Peter answered and said to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?"

#### "I'VE DONE THINGS FOR YOU GOD – NOW IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME"

# "O' No! - the truth is - - God alone is First, Before All Things

# Under The Shadow Of The Almighty IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE FOREVER

7c.) We will forever be glorying in Him

vs. 36

#### 36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be GLORY forever. Amen.

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brilliance as in light, approval, worthiness, honor, majesty,

awe or awesomeness.

The Totality & Centrality of Jesus Christ Alone Forever.

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#### John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

#### Hebrews 1:1-3

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Look Around You!

#### Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.

#### Open Your Heart of Faith and See!

John 11:40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?"

# Are Willing to Give God the Glory that Alone is His?

Philippians 2:11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

In the Book of The Revelation - Chapter 21 The New Jerusalem is Seen Coming Down out of Heaven

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