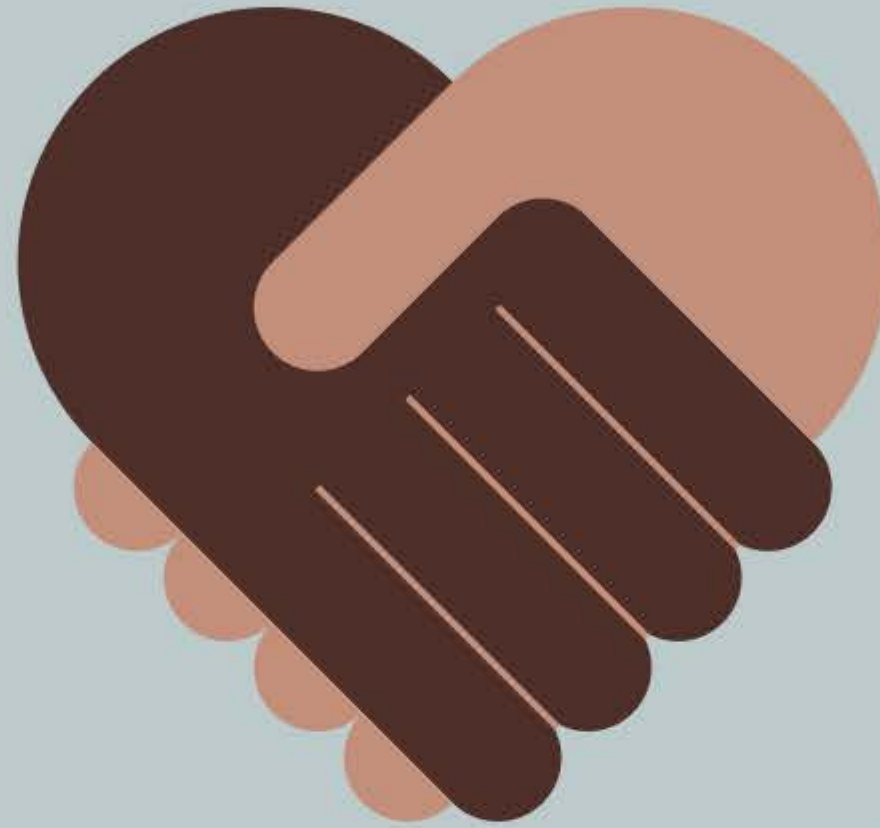


A STUDY OF ROMANS



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Once we **understand the questions** the Bible is addressing, we will start to **understand the answers** the Bible is providing...and may find we have similar questions as well.



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Is the nation of Israel still God's **chosen**  
people or has God **rejected** and **forsaken**  
Israel in favor of the Gentiles?



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Paul's goal is not just to give theologically accurate answers, but to argue convincingly that **Jewish** and **Gentile** believers should live together as **family**.



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## Romans 9:1–3

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I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — <sup>2</sup> that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup> For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of **my brothers, my kinsmen** according to the flesh.



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## Romans 9:4–5

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<sup>4</sup> They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. <sup>5</sup> To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.



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## Romans 9:6–8

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<sup>6</sup> But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For **not all who are descended from Israel** belong to Israel, <sup>7</sup> and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” <sup>8</sup> This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the **children of the promise** are counted as offspring.



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# Romans 9:30–31

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<sup>30</sup> What shall we say, then? That **Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness** have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; <sup>31</sup> but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law.



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## Romans 9:32–33

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<sup>32</sup> Why? Because they **did not pursue it by faith**, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, <sup>33</sup> as it is written, “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”



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# Romans 10:11–13

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<sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is **no distinction between Jew and Greek**; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”



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# Romans 11:1

ESV

I ask, then, has God **rejected his people**? By **no** means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin.



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# Romans 11:13–14

ESV

<sup>13</sup> Now I am speaking to **you Gentiles**. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup> in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them.



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# Romans 11:16–18

ESV

<sup>16</sup> If the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, so is the whole lump, and if the root is holy, so are the branches. <sup>17</sup> But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, <sup>18</sup> **do not be arrogant** toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but **the root that supports you**.



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# Romans 11:22–23

ESV

<sup>22</sup> Note then the **kindness and the severity of God**: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you **continue in his kindness**. Otherwise you too will be cut off. <sup>23</sup> And even they, if they do not **continue in their unbelief**, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again.



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