

May 6/7

“THE CHOSEN” Part 1

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Romans 9:1-15

Paul has made a strong case for God’s faithfulness to Believers (Romans 8) and is now anticipating the question of why many of God’s Chosen people (Israelites) have rejected their Messiah. Israel’s Past (9), Present (10), and Future (11).

Who are God’s Chosen People?

Calvinist (TULIP/Reformed Theology/Doctrines of Grace): Teach that Christ self-sacrificially loves a preselected number of individuals, and before the world began predestined them to salvation and the rest to eternal damnation based on nothing to do with their choices or actions.

“The fact that this Calvinistic interpretation did not appear until the fifth century with Augustine should be of considerable concern.”

The Potter’s Promise (A Defense of Traditional Soteriology)—Dr. Leighton Flowers Youtube channel Soteriology101

Traditionalist: Teach that Christ loves every person so much that He died for them all (John 3:16) and has predestined every individual who is “in Christ” through faith to be saved (Eph.1:13), and it is each individual’s responsibility to humble themselves and trust Christ in faith (Luke 18:9-14).

Romans 9 is not the narrowing of the scope of election (Calvinism), but it is a broadening of the scope of election (Traditionalism)!

The Chosen Are...

✓ **Brokenhearted** _____ **over the lost.** vv1-3

Do you care this much about lost people?

Isn’t it safe to say that God cares that much if not more for lost people?

Hosea 3:1; Rom.9:22, 10:1, 21; Luke 19:41-42; 2Pet.3:9

✓ **Blessed** _____ **abundantly by God.** vv4-5

>Adoption: forgiven and given the family name and inheritance.

Ex.4:22/Rom.8:15

>Glory: God’s presence in the temple and leading in the wilderness.

1Cor.3:16, 6:19

>Covenants: a binding relational promise of love no matter what.

1Cor.11:23-26

>Law: 10 commandments. Ex.20/Matt.22:34-40

>Worship: Sacrificial system of how to approach God. Heb.9:1-4

>Promises: The myriad of ways God blesses His people. Rom.8

>Patriarchs: Great leaders/prophets/priests/kings. Eph.4:11-12

>Christ: The ultimate/final temple, high priest, and sacrifice.

Heb.8:1-5

✓ **Believers** _____ **in the Promise of God.** vv6-14

>**Not by Pedigree** _____ vv6-9; Gal.4:21-31 (Allegory); Gen.12:1-3, 15:6; Rom.4 >>God’s electing love always carries the goal of bringing that same love to all the families of the earth.

>**Not by Performance** _____ vv10-14

The Biblical Context of v13: The choice (election) is idiomatic not literal (Luke 14:26; Eph.6:2; John 15:12), for service not salvation (Gen.25:23), national not individual (Gen.36:43; 1500 yrs. btw v12 & v13), and conditional not unconditional (Mal.1:2-4 Edomites attacked Israel and therefore under God’s wrath).

>Paul’s doctrine of election means that both Jews and Gentiles all stand together on equal footing as members of Abraham’s family by grace through faith in Jesus. Rom.1:16-17; vv25-26, 30-32; Rom.3 & 4

>The Chosen (Elect) in the Bible is not just simply about being the object of God’s blessing but also the instrument of God’s blessing to ALL the families of the earth. Gen.12:1-3; Jn.3:16; 1Jn.2:2; 1Tim.2:4-6

Growing Notes

- 1) Who are God’s chosen people? Can anyone be a part of God’s chosen people? Explain. What is the difference between Calvinists and Traditionalists?
- 2) Read Romans 9:1-14. Why does Paul have great sorrow for the people of Israel (vv1-3)? Isn’t it safe to say that God cares that much if not more for lost people (Luke 19:41-42; 2Pet.3:9)?
- 3) What blessings has God given to the Jewish people and to us as Christians (vv4-5)? The Chosen are not by Pedigree (v8) or Performance (v11) but by belief in the Promise of God (Gen.12:1-3, 15:6; Rom.4). Explain. What is the Biblical context of v13?

Why does God’s electing love always carry the goal of bringing that same love to all the families of the earth (Gen.12:1-3)? Romans 9 is not the narrowing the scope of election, but it is a broadening the scope of election (vv25-26, 30-33; John 3:16). Pray

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James 5:14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord

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