

Women's Discipleship
May 2020
Romans 9-11
"Sovereignty"

As you read through this section of Romans we will be looking at God's sovereignty and His purposes regards salvation that the Apostle Paul uses the nation of Israel as illustrative of that plan and some sobering realities that are applicable to all mankind, Jew and Gentile alike. Keep in mind these purpose statements of each chapter.

1. The Sovereignty of God and Israel's Past (Chap 9)
2. Human responsibility and Israel's Present (Chap 10)
3. The Purpose of God and Israel's Future (Chap 11)

Romans Chapter 9

1. What spiritual advantage did the Jews have over the Gentiles?
2. Why do you think Paul uses Pharaoh as an illustration in this chapter?
3. Is God unjust and/or unfair in His sovereign "molding" and election? Why or Why not?
4. Paul paraphrases Hosea 2:23 and Isaiah 10:22-23 when speaking of a Jewish remnant. Explain how God's sovereignty keeps Him from destroying Israel for its unbelief as well as how that same sovereignty draws us to Him in salvation and belief.
5. List the ways the Jewish people fell short of obtaining salvation.

Romans Chapter 10

1. How is Christ the end of the law to everyone who believes? (vs 4)
2. What do you think the apostle Paul has in mind when he writes “Who will ascend into heaven?...to bring Christ down”?
3. How many times does Paul mention the terms faith and believe in this chapter?
4. From this chapter, what is Paul’s point regards human responsibility?
5. Is it possible to reconcile God’s sovereignty with human responsibility? Explain your reasoning.

Romans Chapter 11

1. How do we know that God is not through with the Jews?
2. On what basis does Paul claim there is a remnant even in his day?
3. What advantage came to the world because Israel was temporarily rejected from a place of favor with God?
4. What will cause Gentiles to be broken off from the olive tree of blessing?
5. What do you think Paul means by “until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in?” (vs25)
6. From verses 28-36, what historical events or happenings from the OT do you think Paul may have had in mind to help the Romans and us know beyond a shadow of a doubt that God *always* keeps His promises?
7. In a short paragraph (as succinct as possible) summarize Romans 9-11.