

4-Jun-2023 | Discussion Questions
God's Unconditional Love | Romans 9:1-33 | Pr. Wallace Ong

1. Read Romans 9:1-3.
 - a. Paul feels a deep sorrow for the nation of Israel. What is the basis of this deep sorrow Paul feels?

 - b. What would Paul be willing to do for his Jewish brothers and sisters if he could?

 - c. Do you feel sorrowful about the lost state of people around you (family members, friends, a people group)?

 - d. If you truly grieve for them, what should you do next?

2. Read Romans 9:4-13.
 - a. Paul lists eight privileges which Israel has been given by God. These were special privileges which no other nation had been given. List all eight privileges.

 - b. How did many of the Israelites treat these privileges? (Romans 9:31-33; Romans 10:1-4.) And why? (Romans 10:2)

 - c. What can we learn from these Israelites?

3. Read Romans 9:14-21. In these verses Paul defends the sovereignty of God.
 - a. What sovereign choice is God making in this passage?

 - b. Knowing that God is sovereign, how should this affect your attitude toward the circumstances which come into your life?

- c. Is there any specific situation in which you need to apply and accept the sovereignty of God?
 - d. Is there any bad attitude you have been holding against God for something He allowed to happen in your life? [To question God's sovereignty is a sin and we need to recognize it and confess it just like any other sin.]
4. Read Romans 9:22-33.
- a. With regards to the Gentiles, what sovereign choice has God made?
 - b. What two things is salvation not based on (Romans 9:6-9, 30-33)?
 - c. What does Paul teach us about salvation (Romans 9:30-32, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:6-8)?

Pray for one another:

- Spend time praying for people you know who have not yet believe in our Lord Jesus Christ. Ask God to extend His mercy to them and draw them into faith. Ask Him to show you how you might become a part of that mercy.
- Pray for ourselves and/or people you know who instead of trusting God's sovereignty in their life, they stumbled over it.