ROMANS 9-11

- In chapters 9-11:
 - How did it come to pass that the Jews rejected the gospel? Since they have rejected the gospel, what is their condition? What is their future? Is God fair and just?
- Chapter 9 shows the sovereignty of God: His right to elect – to choose – the plan of salvation and through whom it would come to fruition – who would be used to bring it about
- Chapter 10 tells us why all fleshly Israel will not be saved

ROMANS 10:1-3 PAUL DESIRES ISRAEL BE SAVED, BUT HERE'S THEIR PROBLEM

- "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved.
- {2} For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.
- {3} For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God."

ROMANS 10:4-5 RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH FAITH, NOT THROUGH THE LAW

"For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

{5} For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, 'The man who does those things shall live by them.'"

ROMANS 10:6-8

THE GOSPEL IS NOT FAR OFF; IT IS NEAR, HAVING BEEN PREACHED

- "But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down from above)
- {7} or, "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).'
- {8} But what does it say? 'The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith which we preach):"

ROMANS 10:9-13 HERE'S THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH

"that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

{10} For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

{11} For the Scripture says,

'Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.'

{12} For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him.

{13} For

'whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

ROMANS 10:14-15 THE GOSPEL HAS BEEN PREACHED TO ISRAEL!

"How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

{15} And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!'"

ROMANS 10:16-17 BUT ISRAEL HAS NOT RESPONDED IN FAITH TO THE GOSPEL

"But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says,

'Lord, who has believed our report?'

{17} So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

ROMANS 10:18 THEY HAD OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR AND OBEY THE GOSPEL

"But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed:

'Their sound has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.'"

ROMANS 10:19-21

ISRAEL CANNOT CLAIM IGNORANCE. AND REJECTION OF THE GOSPEL WAS THEIR OWN CHOOSING

"But I say, did Israel not know? First Moses says:

'I will provoke you to jealousy by those who are not a nation, I will move you to anger by a foolish nation.'

{20} But Isaiah is very bold and says:

'I was found by those who did not seek Me; I was made manifest to those who did not ask for Me.'

{21} But to Israel he says:

'All day long I have stretched out My hands to a disobedient and contrary people.'"