



Justification Found Through The Gospel, Not The Law of Moses – 3:21-8:39

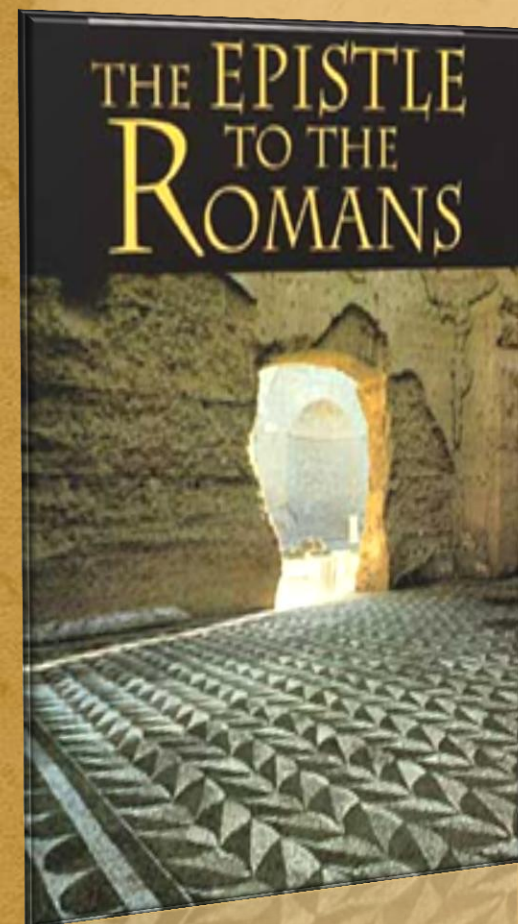
ROMANS

Romans 8:26-39

Lesson 9

The Gospel – Fulfills God's Purpose
in Justifying & Glorifying Men

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man



- ✦ **All men guilty before God and needs salvation – (1:18-3:20)**
- ✦ **Men are justified by pardon, (grace), not merit, (works) – (3:21 - 4:25)**
- ✦ **The benefits of justification based on Christ's death – (5:1-25)**
- ✦ **The Gospel requires holiness – (6:1-23)**
- ✦ **The hopeless condition of one under the Law outside of Christ – (7:1-25)**
- ✦ **The Gospel frees from sin – (8:1-25)**
- ✦ **The Gospel fulfills God's purpose in justifying & glorifying men – (8:25-39)**

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man

✦ A Difficult Text – (Romans 8:26-39)

✦ Salvation from God's Perspective

✦ Mentions God's:

- ✓ Provisions for the suffering Christian ~
- ✓ Foreknowledge ~
- ✓ Predestination ~
- ✓ Calling –
- ✓ Justifying men ~
- ✓ Purpose to glorify men ~
- ✓ The intercession of Christ –
- ✓ The elect ~
- ✓ Motivation ~ His Love ~



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God's Support, Purpose & Love- (8:26-39)



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Encouragement In Every Human Need - (26,27)

Romans 8:26-27 (NKJV)

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

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Encouragement In Every Human Need - (26,27)



- ✦ **Likewise The Spirit Also Helps: (26)**
Creation groans (22) . . . Christians groan (23) . . . The Spirit groans (26) –
- ✦ **Hope helps - the Spirit also helps our weaknesses (26)** - We do not see the whole picture . . The Holy Spirit does . . . We see the difficulties.
- ✦ **Communication between Deity (27) -**
1 Cor. 2:10
- ✦ **Intercession NOT mediation!** 1 Tim. 2:1-3,5
– *(Not done to us or in us but for us)*

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man Confidence - Through Understanding God's Eternal Purpose - (28-30)

Romans 8:28-30 (NKJV)

²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose. ²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

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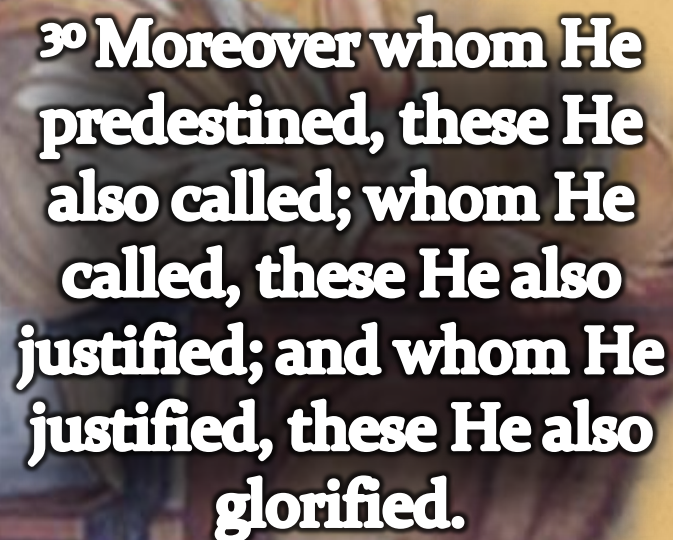
- ✦ **All things work together for good - (28)** The things God provides for His children –
- ✦ **For those who love God - (28)**
– Not the few loved by God – 1 Cor. 2:9; James 1:12; 2:5.
- ✦ **Called according to His purpose - (28)** – Called by the Gospel – John 6:44,45; 1 Cor. 1:9; 2 Thes. 2:13,14; 2 Tim. 1:9

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man Confidence - Through Understanding God's Eternal Purpose - (28-30)



- ✦ **For whom He foreknew - (29)** To know in advance – God knew that there would be “many brethren” gathered to Him in Christ – (Eph. 1:1-14; 2 Thes. 2:13,14)
- ✦ **He also predestined - (29)** – “The only thing predestinated, or foreordained, is that those who love God as revealed in Christ shall become Christlike in life, and like Christ in eternity. This is the only decree in the passage.”— P.N.T. – (Eph. 1:5,11; 1 Pet. 1:2)

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30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

- ✦ **God predestined that those who love God will be conformed to the likeness of Christ – (Rom. 12:1,2)**
- ✦ **Those in Christ receive the gospel call – (Eph. 1:13,14)**
- ✦ **Those who receive the gospel call are justified – (Rom 6:16-18)**
- ✦ **Those who are justified are glorified – the purpose of God (Rom. 1:16,17; 10:14-17)**

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man

Confidence - Through Understanding

God's Eternal Purpose - (28-30)

Under Consideration

- ✦ **The obedient - 8:1,2**
- ✦ **Those who SET their mind on the things of the Spirit – 8:5-7**
- ✦ **Those who mortify the deeds of the body – 8:13**
- ✦ **Those who are led by the Spirit – 8:14**
- ✦ **Those who suffer with Him – 8:17**
- ✦ **Those who persevere – 8:17**

NOT Considering

- ✦ **The disobedient - 8:1,2**
- ✦ **Those who SET their mind on the flesh will DIE - 8:5-7,13**
- ✦ **Those who walk in the flesh – Rom. 8:1; Gal 5:16-21; 2 Tim 2:11-13**
- ✦ **The Christian who has fallen from grace – Gal 5:4**

Consequences of Unconditional Election & The Calvinistic View of Predestination

- ✦ **God Does NOT Redemptively Love All Men** - The large majority of men are born “foreordained” to eternal destruction – 2 Pet 3:9; 1 Tim 2:4
- ✦ **God Is A Respector Of Persons** – chooses one sinner and condemns many others arbitrarily and capriciously - Acts 10:34
- ✦ **God Is Unjust** – Condemns men for what He predetermined that they do, without them having libertarian freewill to do otherwise - 2 Cor. 5:10
- ✦ **Everything Is Unchangeably Foreordained** – EVEN EVERY SIN! “God is the first cause of ALL EVIL!”

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man

Security - Through Understanding God's

Powerful Love - (31-39)

Romans 8:31-39 (NKJV)

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? *It is* God who justifies. ³⁴ Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

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³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

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³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Security - Through Understanding God's Powerful Love - (31-39)



- ✦ **God is for us not against us - (31) –**
He is greater than any force that may come up against us! (John 10:29; 1 John 4:4)
- ✦ **We stand or fall before God Who gave us His Son for us - (32-34) –** (Rom 8:1; 5:6-10; 1 Tim. 2:5; 1 John 2:1,2)
- ✦ **There is no external force that can separate the faithful Christian from God! –** (Rom 8:35-39; John 10:27-29)

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God's Means of Making Men Righteous Is Not By The Law – But Through The Gospel

Romans 1:16,17

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."



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