

Romans # 139

“Is God Unjust?”

Romans 9:14-15 Isaiah 55:6-9 Exodus 32; 33:1-18

Ezekiel 18:23 “Do I take any pleasure in the death of the wicked? declares the Sovereign Lord. Rather, am I not pleased when they turn from their ways and live?”

Obviously, if someone approaches the topic of election and predestination with the preconceived idea that everything God talks about in the Bible has to do with salvation, of course, he'll find that in Romans 9.

We've seen it's not enough to only be a physical descendant of Abraham through Ishmael, Esau or the 6 sons of Keturah, because they're not the children of the promise.

The plan of God begins and ends with spiritual distinction between racial Israel and true regenerate Israel, believers in the promise of Jesus Christ the Messiah.

God's promise isn't broken because not all who descended from Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (renamed Israel), are born spiritually or regenerated.

God's sovereign plan for the Abrahamic covenant is determined by God and this is not about personal salvation; it's about the sovereignty of God having the right to direct history and impute blessings on whosoever He chooses.

God is omniscient, omnipresent and omnipotent, so He has the authority to bless whomever He chooses, when He chooses and how He chooses.

Our finite thinking and God's thinking are so far apart that we can't comprehend the idea of God's infinite knowledge.

Israel is commanded in her disobedience, rebellion and rejection of God in her idolatry, to exercise her free-will and turn back to God.

Seeking and calling are for the free-will of all so God is not overpowering people in selecting some for salvation and others for condemnation.

God created a plan of salvation that provides an opportunity for each person to make a choice regarding God and His plan and therefore, all are held accountable for their choice.

God takes no pleasure in the condemnation of the unbeliever because He has a grace solution based on His promise of salvation.

God has the right to determine who, when and how He disperses His favor; a right He has because He's God.

What a privilege Moses had that not everyone had; God's not talking about becoming saved, He's talking about demonstrating who He is in His essence to Moses.

Guess what? I'm going to bless you by revealing a portion of Myself to you because I have the right to have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

Because God is holy, He can't have a greater presence for all the people, so He's going to restrict it.

The issue here is not eternal salvation but how and when God will bless people in time.

And the issue is that God has a plan for Israel as His chosen nation and He has the right to determine how and when He's going to bless them.