

QUESTIONS

Day 1 - Review

1. What helped you most from the lecture, discussion group, commentary notes or your personal study of the last lesson?

Day 2 - Romans 9:1-5 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

2. Why is Paul so anguished in verses 1-5?
3. What would Paul be willing to do if only the Jews would turn to Jesus? (See verse 3.)
4. **? Personal Question:** Do you have a similar “anguish” over someone not knowing Jesus Christ? Explain why or why not.
5. What “spiritual advantages” are given to the Jews by God to draw them closer to Himself in verses 4 & 5?

Day 3 - Romans 9:6-13 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

6. Who does Paul say are the true descendants of Abraham?
7. **? Personal Question:** Verse 8 uses the phrase “children of the promise.” Explain what you think that means and how you might apply it to your own life?
8. In Genesis 25:19-26, Isaac's wife, Rebecca, gave birth to twin boys: Esau and Jacob. Birth order was very important in that day and it was customary for the younger sons to serve the oldest son. But God reversed that custom and had the older son serve the younger. So, what point is being made in Romans 9:10-13? (Hint: Verse 12 reveals the answer.)

Day 4 - Romans 9:14-29 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

9. In verses 14-18, why does Paul conclude that God is NOT unjust in His dealings with mankind?
10. **? Personal Question:** Have you ever felt God has been unjust in your life? Describe the circumstances. How does today's text help you with those feelings toward God?

11. Using verses 19-21, explain why “talking back to God” is unwise.
12. **? Thought Question:** Using verses 22-29, about whom are these Old Testament prophets speaking?

Day 5 - Romans 9:30-33 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

13. How did the Gentiles attain righteousness, despite the fact they did not pursue it?
14. Why did Israel (Jews) not attain righteousness, despite the fact they “pursued a law of righteousness?”
15. Verses 32 & 33 say the Jews “stumbled over the stumbling stone.” Who is the “stumbling stone” and how did the Jews “stumble” over Him?
16. **? Personal Question:** How is Jesus Christ a “stumbling stone” to people today? Explain how Jesus is the “rock of offense” for some and the “rock of salvation” for others?

Day 6 – Re-read Romans 9 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

17. What is your main “take away” from reading Romans 9? Try to write it down in a short sentence.
18. Using your "take away" from the previous question, how might you apply it to your own life today?
19. Is there anything from Romans 9 that was new or challenging to you?