The Book of Romans
How to be Right with God

(The Doctrine of the Remnant)

Context

- God gives mercy

- God hardens hearts

- Gentiles have received mercy because of faith

- Israel have received hardening because of disobedience

- There is ALWAYS a remnant of Israel

The Justification of the Nation Israel:

Cycle 5: (9:30-33)

"The Stumbling of Israel"

Outline:

1. Gentiles attain righteousness v. 30

2. Israel did not attain righteousness v. 31

3. Why Israel did not attain righteousness v. 32a

4. The doctrine of the stumbling stone vv. 32b-33

5. The doctrine of the Remnant

1- Gentiles attain righteousness v. 30:

Observations:

- "what shall we say then?"

- "that Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have attained to righteousness"

- "even the righteousness of faith" (cf. Romans 3:21-26)

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2- Israel did not attain righteousness v. 31

Observations:

- "but Israel"

- "pursuing the law of righteousness"

- "has not attained to the law of righteousness, even the righteousness of faith"

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3- Why Israel did not attain righteousness v. 32a

Observations:

- "why?"

- "Because they did not seek it by faith"

- "but as it were, by the works of the law."

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4- The doctrine of the stumbling stone vv. 32b-33

Observations:

- "For they stumbled at the stumbling stone"

- "As it is written:"

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5- The doctrine of the Remnant:

1. The past

2. The present

3. The future

1- The Past

Key Passages:

- 1 Kings 16:29-19:18

- Isaiah 7:1-12:6

1- The Past

Observations: 1 Kings 16:29-19:18

- The Context 16:29-18:46

- Elijah's escape 19:1-9

- Elijah's complaint 19:10, 14

- God's correction 19:15-18

1- The Past

Summary: 1 Kings 16:29-19:18

- Israel was rebelling against God

- Despite Divine chastisement they continued

- Elijah defeats the prophets of Baal

- Elijah claims he alone is standing against apostasy

- God informs Elijah of the remnant within Israel

1- The Past

Observations: Isaiah 7:1-12:6

- Isaiah's son Shear-Jashub (a remnant shall return) 7:3

- The remnant and non-remnant's trust 8:5-8

- The remnant's deliverance 8:9-11

- The response to the stone of stumbling 8:14-17

1- The Past

Summary: Isaiah

- The non-remnant trusted in false gods and foreign nations

- The remnant trusted in God

Outline:

1. The past

2. The present

3. The future

2- The Present

Key Passages:

- 1 Peter 2:1-10
- Romans 9-11

2- The Present

Observations: 1 Peter 2:1-10

- Peter's audience 1:1-2

- The spiritual state of the remnant 2:1-3

- Rightfully related to the stone 2:4-8

- The significance of this generation 2:9-10

Summary: 1 Peter

- The remnant of Israel is in the Church

- This is because they believed in Christ

- Israel is not "on the shelf"

- God is working in the remnant via the Church

- God is working in the non-remnant via Divine protection and regathering

Outline:

1. The past

2. The present

3. The future

3- The Future

Key Passages:

- Isaiah 10:20-23

- Isaiah 41:8-16

- Joel 2:18-32

Summary/Application

- God protects Israel

- God protects Israel for the remnant's sake

- The Church is not the remnant though believing Jews are in the Church

- What does the remnant passages tell us about God?

  ➤ His longsuffering?

  ➤ His faithfulness?

  ➤ His sovereignty?

  ➤ His love?

  ➤ His grace?