Covenant Objections and God's Faithful Answers Romans 3:1-8 March 6, 2022

Everyone has reasons for what they believe and do.

Not many have good reasons.

Paul is addressing the bad thinking of the Covenant people.

Objection 1: If the signs and outward blessings of the covenant do not mean salvation then they must mean nothing. (v 1-2)

What advantage is there in being a Jew?

God has spoken to you! You have the treasure map. (Deut 4:7-8)

Paul adds to this advantage in Romans 9:4-5.

You know the truth, but don't live it. You have it, but don't keep it.

Objection 2: If Covenant children, those who receive the covenant sign and the outward blessings of the Covenant, are judged for unbelief, doesn't that make God unfaithful? (v 3-4)

God has promised to save them, and God failed. God is unfaithful.

Many think covenant signs promises salvation to all who receive them.

The promise is: I will save you in the way of faith.

Dad promises you \$10 if you mow the lawn.

The soul that sins, shall die.

Objection 3: If God's justice is magnified in my sin; and God is glorified by my failure, why does he still punish my sin? (v 5-7)

If my sin benefits God, why is He still angry?

Simple, straight-forward answer - Because you have sinned.

Aunt Matilda's chocolate marble cake.

Objection 4: If my sin brings glory to God, shouldn't I sin more than glory may abound? (v 8)

Why doesn't Paul answer his objection? (See Romans 6:1-4)

The sinner has two choices.

1) Confess and repent, or 2) to deny and blame shift.

Current objections?