THE PLAN OF GOD: JEWS & GENTILES "TOGETHER FOREVER" IN THE CHURCH!

Conclusion to the Study of Paul's Epistle to the Romans
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- 1. Purpose of Paul's apostleship to the Gentiles: the obedience of faith among the Gentiles (1:1-14)
- 2. Purpose of the Gospel: the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek (1:16-17)
- 3. Justification by faith alone: provided to Jew and Gentile by Christ 4:1-5:20)
- 4. Sanctification by Christ: required for both Jew and Gentile believers (6:1-7:25)
- 5. Walking by the Spirit: required for both Jewish and Gentile believers (8:1-27)
- 6. God's work on behalf of His people (<u>Jew and Gentile</u>) (8:28-39)
- 7. What about God's Old Covenant plans for the Jews? (Chapter 9-11) Has the Word of God failed? (9:6—NO!!!)

There are two (2) reasons why not all ethnic Jews are saved:

- God's sovereign choice (God's sovereignty) (9:6-18)
- Israel's lack of faith (human responsibility) (9:30—10:13)

But—a remnant of Israel will be saved (9:27)

<u>God's plan eventually is the salvation of ethnic Jews</u> (11:1-6, 25)

- 8. How then shall we live as a body of Jews and Gentiles? (12:1-15:7)
- 9. The Gentile mission continues, bringing Gentiles in (15:8-22)
- 10. Doxology: To the only wise God be glory forevermore! (16:27)

Applications

Worship: God rescues unlikely people!

Election vs. faith: God is sovereign, but we are still responsible!

Unity in the Body: We diverse people are to love one another!

Awe: God's plan is infinitely brilliant!

Doxology: To the only wise God be glory forevermore!