## Israel's Position Romans 9:1-5

# I. CONCERN: "my brethren...Israelites" (vv.1-3)

- **A. Honesty:** "the truth...not lying" (v.1)
  - 1. Truth: "I am not lying"
  - 2. Testimony: "my conscience bearing me witness"

#### **B.** Heartache: "great sorrow and unceasing grief" (v.2)

- 1. Troubled: "great sorrow"
- 2. Tormented: "unceasing grief"

#### C. Holdout: "I could wish...myself...accursed" (v.3)

- 1. Trade: "wish...accursed, separated from Christ"
- 2. Treasure: "for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen"

### II. CREDENTIALS: "to whom belongs..." (vv.4-5)

- A. Relationships: "Israelites...adoption...glory" (v.4a)
  - 1. God's Chosen: "who are Israelites"
  - 2. God's Children: "to whom belongs the adoption as sons"
  - 3. God's Presence: "the glory"

### **B. Responsibilities:** "covenants...Law...service" (v.4b)

- 1. Warranties: "the covenants"
- 2. Wisdom: "the giving of the Law"
- 3. Worship: "the temple service"

### C. Rights: "promises...fathers...Christ" (vv.4c-5)

- 1. Pledges: "the promises"
- 2. Patriarchs: "whose are the fathers"
- 3. Pre-eminence: "from whom is the Christ"

Next week: Read Romans 9:6-13