

### **GLORY!**

## Delight in Giving God What He Deserves • Part 2

Lesson 29 • Romans 11:30-36

Reaching the Summit of the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy				
Base Camp	Divine Sovereignty ~ Chapter 9	Human Responsibility ~ Chapter 10	Glorious Humility ~ Chapter 11	
Questions & Objections	Has God's Promises Failed? Is God's Unconditional Election Fair? Why Does God Still Find Fault? Is There Any Reason for Faith?	How Did Pagan Gentiles Receive What Was Promised to Chosen Israel? How Did Zealous Israel Miss Out?	Is God's Rejection of Israel Total & Final? Is There No Hope for Israel's Hard Heart? Who Can Ever Figure All this Out?	

What is at the summit of God's majestic mission of mercy?

A **DOXOLOGY**: Giving glory to God in word or song or deed! It is the Word-fed & Spirit-led spontaneous outburst of our soul at the top of

GLORY is **what God deserves** in light of what He does—*His actions!*GLORY is **what we should delight** in giving to God in light of who He is—*His attributes* behind *His actions!* 

DOXOLOGY is **DELIGHTING** in giving God the glory He **DESERVES** in word, in song, and in life!

How Should We Respond to the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy?

## 1st Response: OH! MY GOD!

Exclamations that Need No Further Proof! (v. 33)

- 1. Oh! The *MERCY* of God's *riches* are unfathomable!

  Romans 2:4; 9:22-23; 10:12-13; 11:12; Ephesians 1:5, 17-19; 2:4-6; 3:8-10, 16-19; Colossians 1:27; 2:2-3
- 2. Oh! The **MISSION** of God's **wisdom** is unfathomable!

Romans 1:21-25; 11:25; 12:16; 16:25-27

- ➤ God's wisdom is *hidden in Christ*. Colossians 1:27; 2:2-3
  - ➤ God's wisdom was **displayed on the Cross**. 1Corinthians 1:18-20; 2:6-10
    - ➤ God's wisdom is unfolded in His sovereign purpose to save His elect from among all peoples! Ephesians 1:5-8, 17-19; 2:4-6: 3:8-10
- 3. Oh! The **MAJESTY** of God's **knowledge** is unfathomable!

Romans 8:29; 11:2; 1:18-21, 32; 2:2-4, 17-24; 3:17-19; 6:3, 16; 7:1; 10:2; 11:2; 15:14

4. Oh! The **MYSTERY** of God's **judgments** (= sovereign purposes) are **unsearchable** and His **ways** (= saving plans) are **untraceable**!

#### Oh! My God Is AWE-some!

Just look at the mystery of His majestic mission of mercy for all peoples—including the likes of ME!

# 2nd Response: WHO AM I?

- 1. Who am I to think I can out-think God and figure out His MIND?
  - ➤ God's knowledge is so much greater than our own! It is majestic & sovereign, ours is not!

Paul is referring to the context of Isaiah 40:13 (NAS)

- 2. Who am I to think I can out-maneuver God and give Him ADVICE?
  - ➤ God's wisdom is so much greater than our own! It is missional & strategic, ours is not!
- 3. Who am I to think I can out-give God and make Him my **DEBTOR**?
  - ➤ God's riches are so much greater than our own! They are merciful & saving, ours are not!

Paul is referring to the context of Job 41:11 as found in Job 38-42. See especially Job 38:1-3; 40:1-9; 42:1-6

Romans 11:33a	Romans 11:33b	Romans 11:34-35		
Oh! The mercy of God's <b>riches</b> is <b>unfathomable</b> ! Oh! The mission of God's <b>wisdom</b> is <b>unfathomable</b> ! Oh! The majesty of God's <b>knowledge</b> is <b>unfathomable</b> !	Hie eaving plane are	Who can <b>out-think</b> God and know His <b>mind</b> ? Who can <b>out-maneuver</b> God and give Him <b>advice</b> ? Who can <b>out-give</b> God and make Him a <b>debtor</b> ?		
For from Him, through Him, and to Him are all things! To Him be the glory forever! Amen!				
Romans 11:36				

### Entering into the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy

- Oh! The depth of God's riches!
  - Oh! The depth of God's wisdom!
    - Oh! The depth of God's knowledge
      - His judgments are unsearchable
      - D<sup>1</sup> His ways are untraceable
    - C¹ Who has known God's mind?
- Who has been God's counselor? Who has given God anything and made God a debtor?
  - For from Him, through Him, to Him are all things! To Him be the glory forever! Amen!

#### Who Are WE in light of...

Revealed Mystery ~ Romans 11:25-32

Divine Sovereignty~ Romans 9

Human Responsibility~ Romans 10

God's Mysterious Purposes ➤ God's Majestic Knowledge? ➤ God's Missional Wisdom? ➤ God Merciful Riches for All Peoples? Global Humility ~ Romans 11

> We are nothing! God is everything! But because He is everything for us that makes us something... something very special from Him, through Him, and to Him!

# 3rd Response: GIVE GOD ALL THE GLORY / GOD GETS ALL THE GLORY!

Explanations that Need No Human Confirmation! (v. 36)

- 1. All things are *from* God: He is *the* **SOURCE** of all things!
- 2. All things are *through* God: He is *the* **SUSTAINER** of all things!
- 3. All things are *for* God: He is *the* **SOVEREIGN** over all things!

#### God Deserves to Get All the Glory Forever!

"To Him be glory forever!"

### We Should Delight in Giving Him All the Glory Forever!

"Amen! It is true! Let it be!"

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:1-2