



## GLORY!

### Delight in Giving God What He Deserves • Part 1

Lesson 28 • Romans 11:30-36

### Reaching the Summit of the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy

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

- Is there no hope for Israel's hard heart? *Romans 11:30-32*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Verse 30</b></p> <p>Gentiles were formerly disobedient to God But now have received mercy from God because of their disobedience.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Verse 31</b></p> <p>So they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy (= now &amp; at the end of the age!)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Verse 32</b></p> <p>For God has consigned/committed/bound/imprisoned all—Jew and Gentile—to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all—Jew and Gentile!</p>	

- Who can ever figure all this out? *Romans 11:33-36*

- 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 spiritual summits!*

**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 purpose) are **unsearchable** and His **ways** (= saving plan) are **untraceable**!

## 2nd Response: WHO AM I?

Questions that Need No Direct Answer! (vv. 34-35)

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!

2. Who am I to think I can out-manuever 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!

## 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*

