

Romans



DID GOD'S
PLAN FAIL?

Summer mix
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- 1- Hard knock life - Jay-Z
- 2- Baby One More Time - Britney S.
- 3- No Scrubs - TLC
- 4- Steal My Sunshine - Len
- 5- Miami - Will Smith
- 6- mambo #5 - Lou Bega
- 7- I want it that way - BSB
- 8- All star - Smash Mouth
- 9- La Vida Loca - Ricky M.

PART 1

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Other Elite Sing Along Songs

1. Bohemian Rhapsody - Queen
2. I Will Survive - Gloria Gaynor
3. Wonderwall - Oasis
4. Mr. Brightside - The Killers
5. Let It Go - Idina Menzel (Frozen)

Good Theology Leads to Doxology

“Light in the understanding produces
heat of love in the affections.”



~Excerpt From: Sibbes, Richard. “The Bruised Reed.” Banner of Truth

This Week's Sermon

"Praise God!"

Romans 11:33-36

What makes the Apostle Paul sing?!

Romans 11:33-36

33 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

34 “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”

35 “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?”

36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Two Weeks Ago...

“32 For God has consigned all to disobedience,
that he may have mercy on all.”

(Romans 11:32)

God's Plan is Amazing!



Romans 1:21-23

21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22

Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.



Genesis 3:15

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”



Genesis 15:5-6

5 And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

6 And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.





Exodus 19:5-6

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; 6 and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'

Exodus 24:3

3 Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.”



“Because here's something else that's weird but true: in the day-to day trenches of adult life, there is actually no such thing as atheism. There is no such thing as not worshipping. Everybody worships. The only choice we get is what to worship. And the compelling reason for maybe choosing some sort of god or spiritual-type thing to worship – be it JC or Allah, be it YHWH or the Wiccan Mother Goddess, or the Four Noble Truths, or some inviolable set of ethical principles – is that pretty much anything else you worship will eat you alive.”

~Excerpt From Commentary on the New Testament Use of the Old Testament

“If you worship money and things, if they are where you tap real meaning in life, then you will never have enough, never feel you have enough. It's the truth. Worship your body and beauty and sexual allure and you will always feel ugly. And when time and age start showing, you will die a million deaths before they finally grieve you.”



~David Foster Wallace, This is Water / Kenyon College Commencement Speech

Romans 7:9-10

9 I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. 10 The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me.



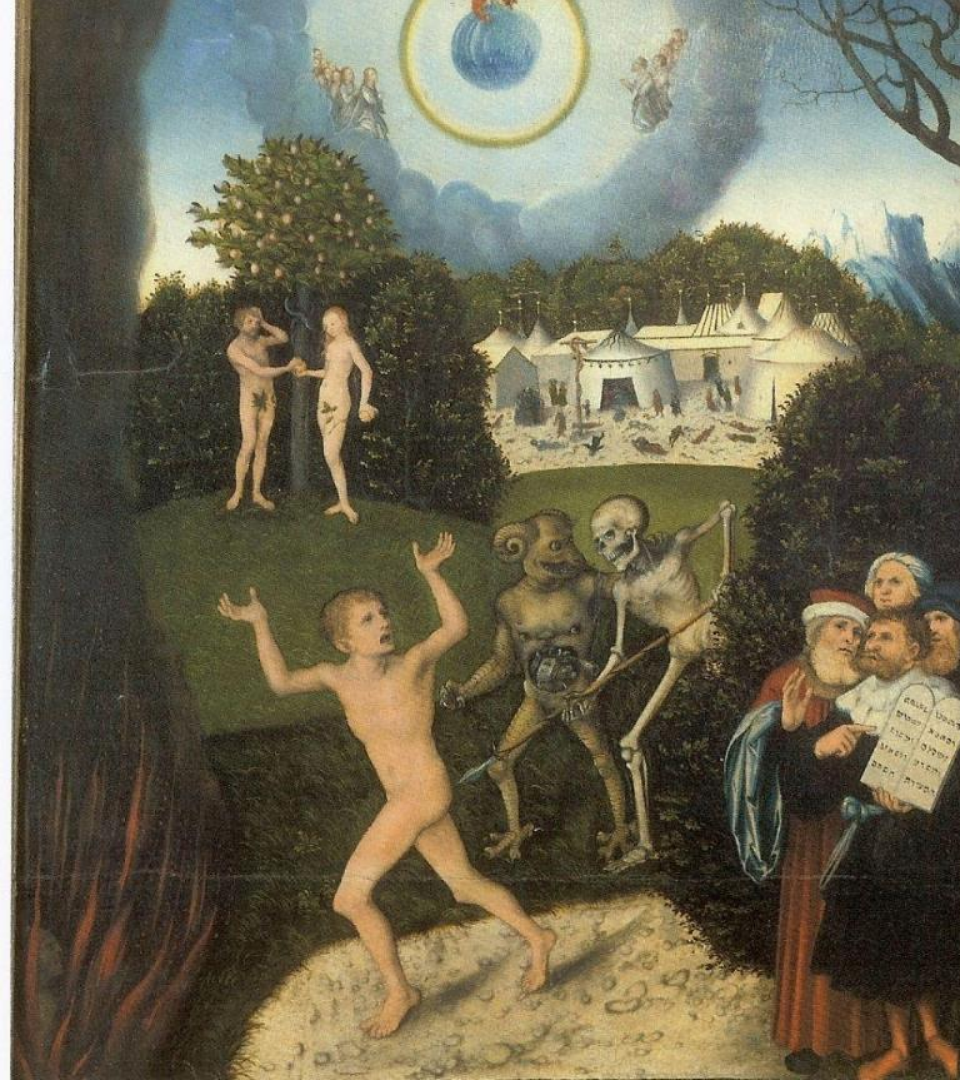


The Big Question Romans Answers:

God, what are you going to do about all this?

Romans 3:21-25

21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.



Galatians 2:20

20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

“If the heart of sinfulness is self-centredness, the heart of all biblical religion is God-centeredness: in short, it is worship. In our fallenness we constrict all there is to our petty horizons. I think of all relationships in terms of their impact on me; my daydreams circle around my own life and circumstances, my goals and hopes invariably turn on my place in the universe. Such profound self-centredness may result in wild cruelty that the world thinks about as social pathology, or it may result in religious cant: it may issue in war and racism as masses of little people who want to be the first to exploit and harm others who want the same thing but may lack the means, and it may issue in piety and discipline full of self-satisfaction and fervour. Still the demon SELF marches on...

“The sign that self is broken is true worship: God becomes the center, the focus of delight, the joyfully acknowledged King. the Creator, the Redeemer. In this sense. none but the transformed can truly worship - and they too discover how much more transformation is still needed. Thus all worship becomes an eschatological sign, a marker or what will be in the new heaven and the new earth, the home of righteousness, when the children of God have been 'glorified' (Rom. 8:30), and God is all in all. In anticipation of that day, and 'in view of God's mercy', we offer our bodies 'as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God', for this is our 'spiritual worship' (Rom. 12:1). ”

~D.A. Carson, “Worship the Lord Your God: The Perennial Challenge,”

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/carson-article/worship-the-lord-your-god-the-perennial-challenge/>



Romans 5:1-2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2

Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 6:6-8

6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus.





Romans 9:6-8

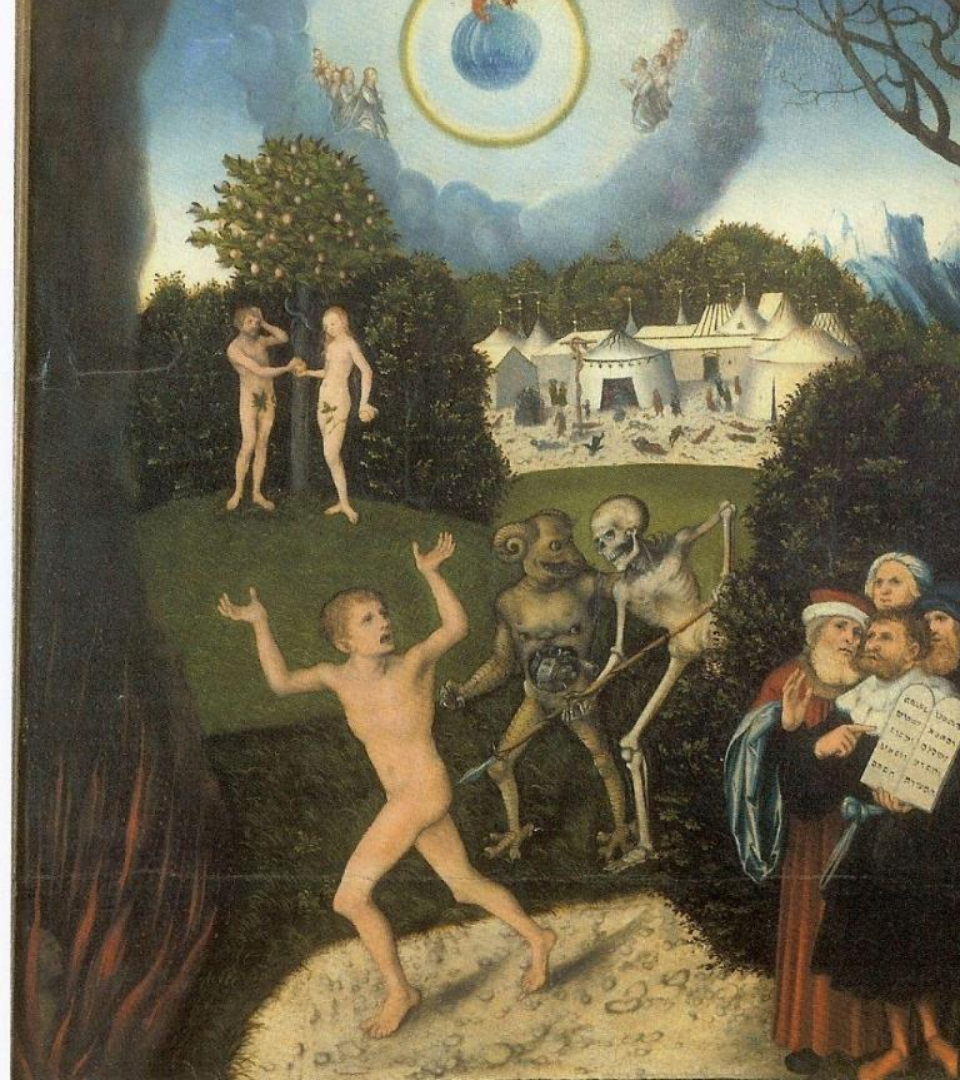
6 But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, 7 and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” 8 This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring.

Romans 11:32

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Romans 11:6

6 But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.





Romans 10:12-13

12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. 13 For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

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Gospel Response

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