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Honor God and Make Disciples*



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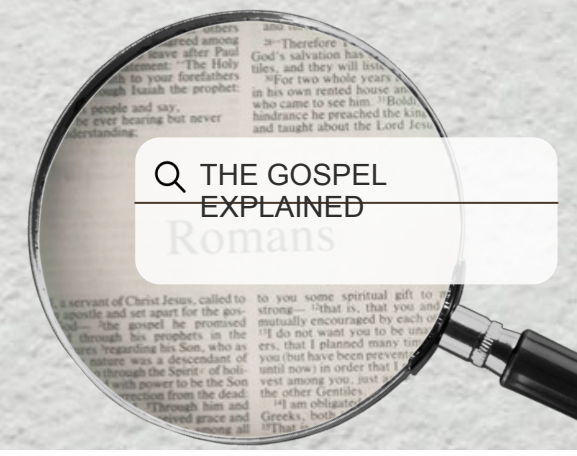


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## Romans

# Recap



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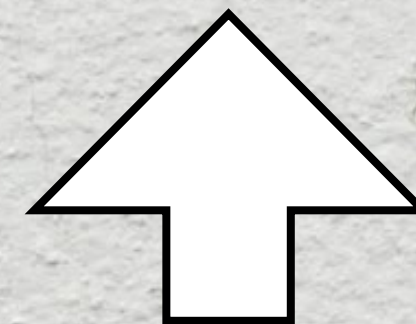
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*Romans 1-4*

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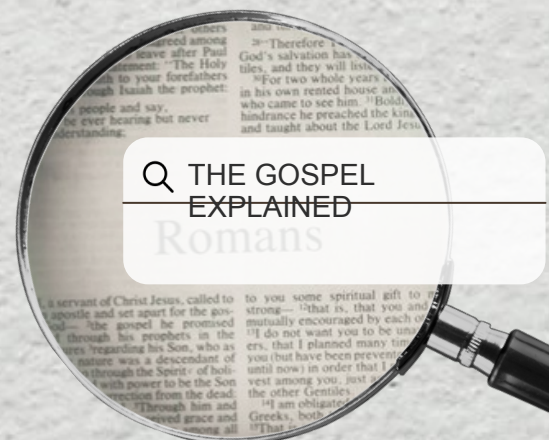
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## Romans 6:1-4 NIV

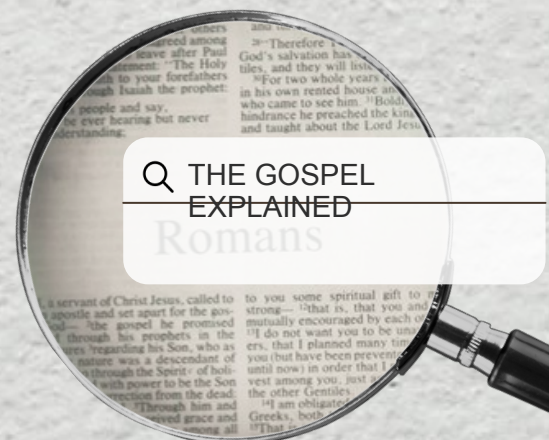
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- 2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart.
- 3 For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race,



## Romans 6:1-4 NIV

4 the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises.

5 Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is **God over all**, forever praised! Amen.





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# #15 Sovereignty of God

Romans 9 and 11

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# Romans 9 and 11

## Objectives:

- **Discover** the sovereign characteristics of God.
- **Understand** with clarity God's prerogative and wisdom over us.
- **Apply** the power of the Gospel and its implication for our lives.





# MAP OF MALAYSIA

# sovereign

sä-v(ə-)rən

*adjective*

- possessing supreme or ultimate power
- acting or done independently and without outside interference

*synonyms:* supreme, absolute, unlimited, unrestricted, boundless, ultimate, total, unconditional, full; independent, autonomous, self-governing, self-determining; free

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Key Question 1:

**What are the sovereign  
characteristics of God?**

**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 1:

**God's  
Choice  
is Sovereign**



## **Romans 9:10-13 NIV**

**10** Not only that, but Rebekah's children were conceived at the same time by our father Isaac.

**11** Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad—in order that God's purpose in election might stand:

**12** not by works but by him who calls—she was told, “The older will serve the younger.”

**13** Just as it is written: “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”



**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 2:

**God's  
Mercy  
is Sovereign**

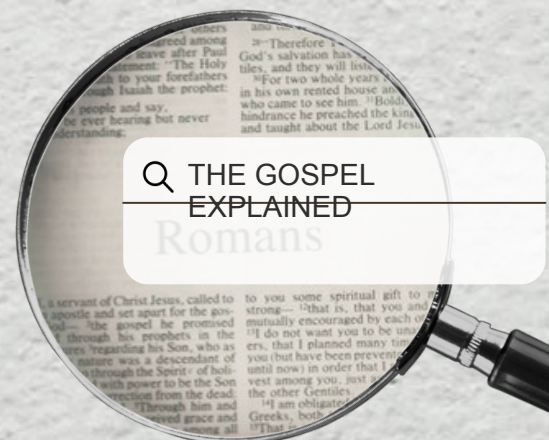


## Romans 9:14-18 NIV

14 What then shall we say? Is God unjust? Not at all!

15 For he says to Moses, “I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.”

16 It does not, therefore, depend on human desire or effort, but on God’s mercy.



## Romans 9:14-18 NIV

17 For Scripture says to Pharaoh: “I raised you up for this very purpose, that I might display my power in you and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.”

18 Therefore God has mercy on whom he wants to have mercy, and he hardens whom he wants to harden.

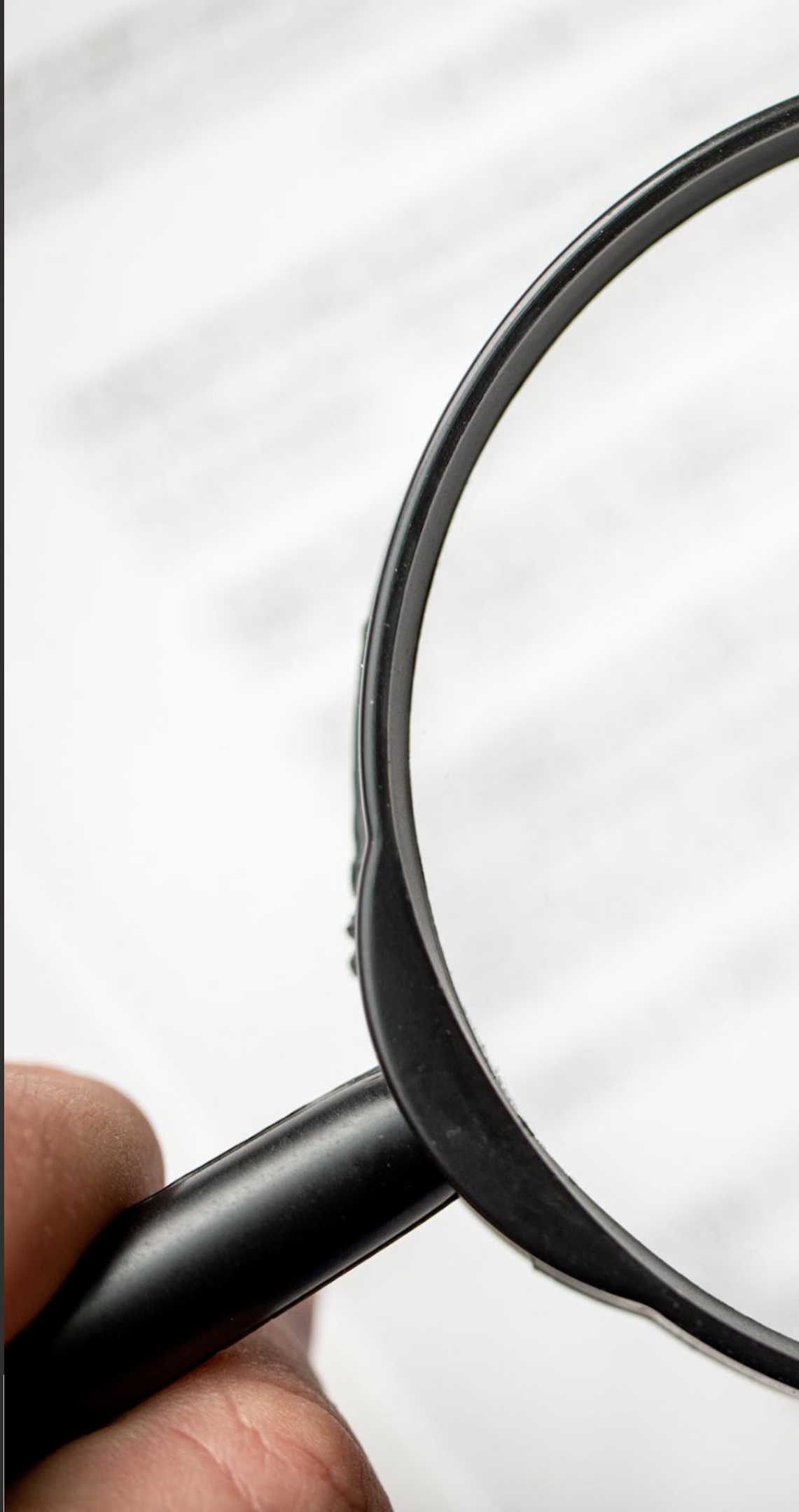




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Side Question:

**Is God unfair with His  
choices?**



Answer:

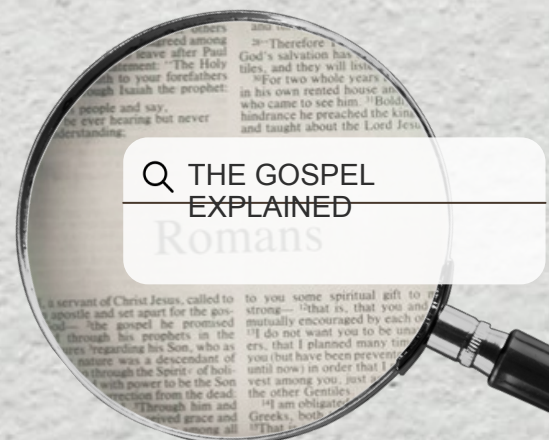
**Not at all!**

## **Romans 3:23,24 NIV**

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,  
24 and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

## **Romans 8:36 NIV**

As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”



**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 3:

**God's  
Purpose  
is Sovereign**

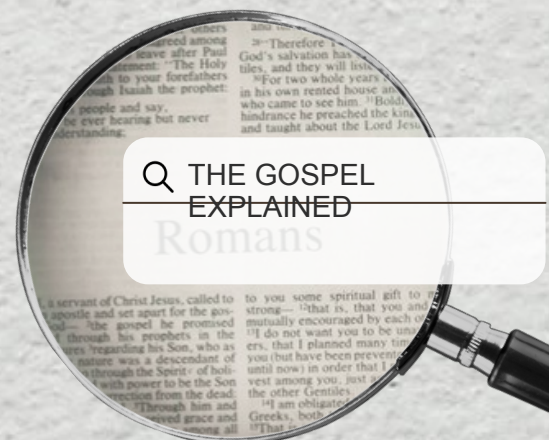


## **Romans 9:19-21 NIV**

19 One of you will say to me: “Then why does God still blame us? For who is able to resist his will?”

20 But who are you, a human being, to talk back to God? “Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it, ‘Why did you make me like this?’”

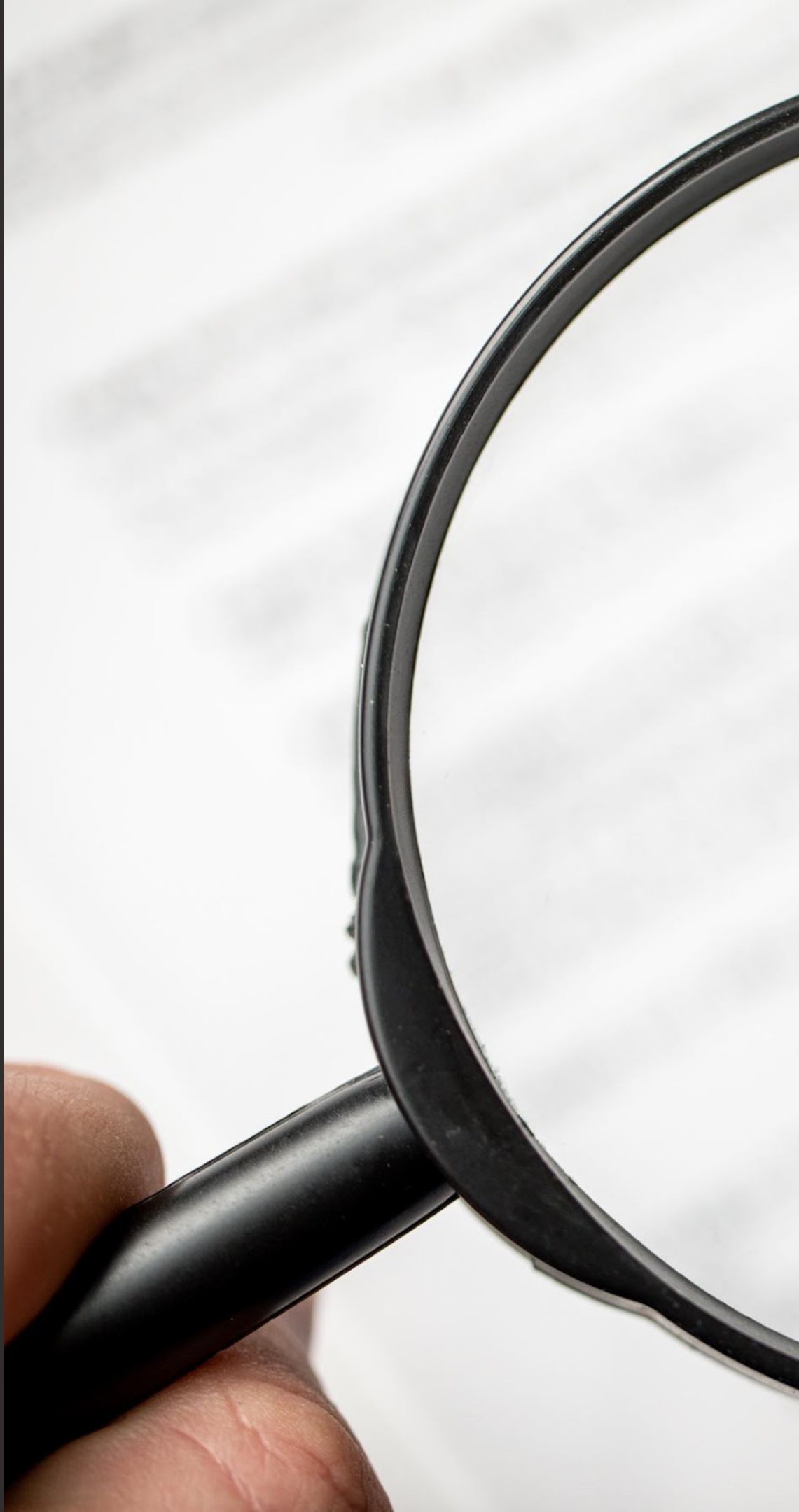
21 Does not the potter have the right to make out of the same lump of clay some pottery for special purposes and some for common use?



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Side Question:

**What should be our  
attitude towards God's  
purpose in our lives?**



Answer:

**Love God!**

## **Romans 8:28 NIV**

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who **love him**, who have been called according to his purpose.





**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 4:

**God's  
Calling  
is Sovereign**



## **Romans 9:19-21 NIV**

25 As he says in Hosea: “I will call them ‘my people’ who are not my people; and I will call her ‘my loved one’ who is not my loved one,”

26 and, “In the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’ there they will be called ‘children of the living God.’”



**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 5:

**God's  
Kindness  
is Sovereign**



## **Romans 11:22-23 NIV**

- 22 Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God:** sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off.
- 23 And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.**



**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 6:

**God's  
Gift  
is Sovereign**



## **Romans 11:28-29 NIV**

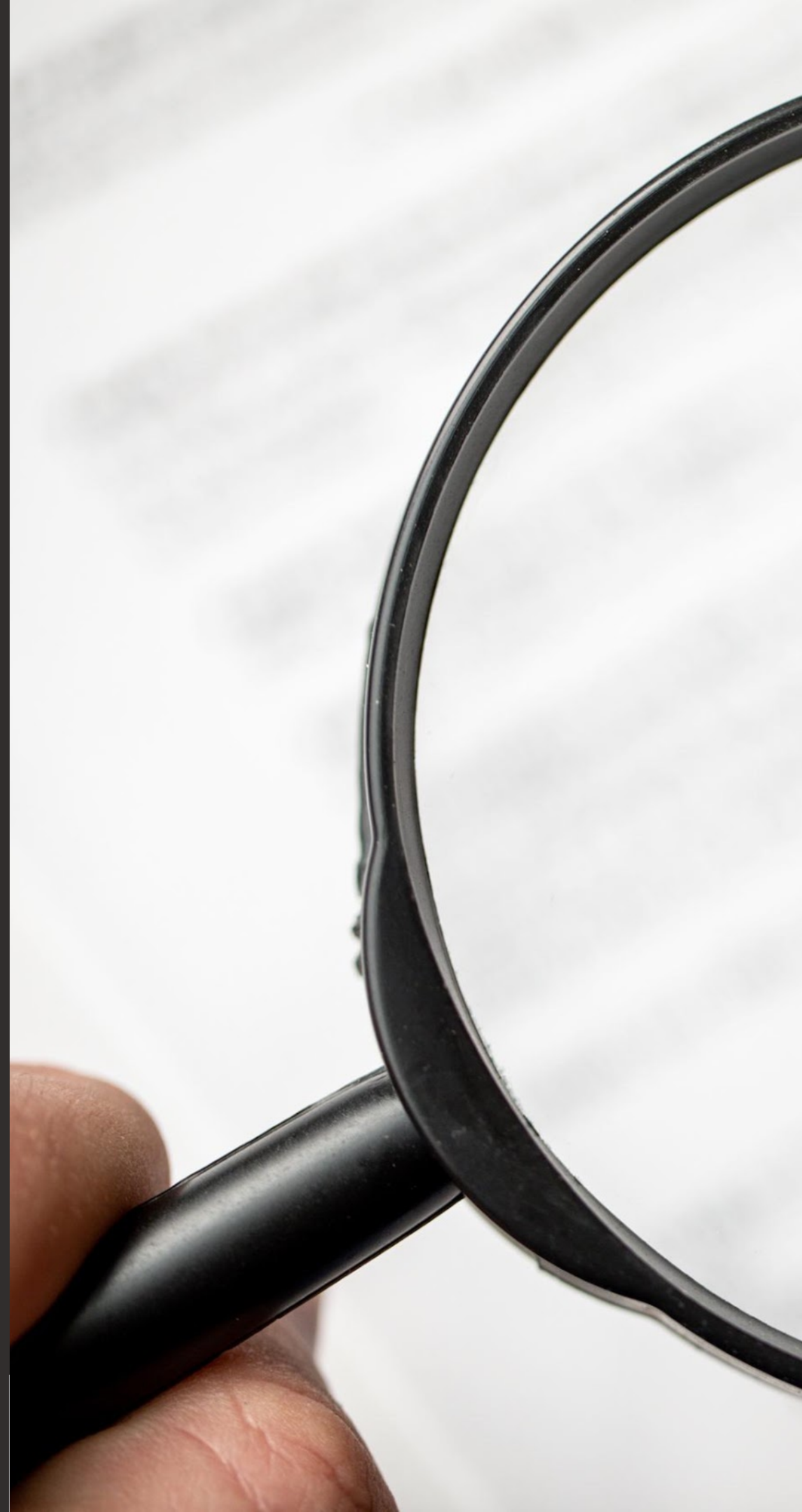
28 As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies for your sake; but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs,  
29 for **God's gifts and his call are irrevocable.**



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Side Question:

**Will I lose my  
salvation?**



Answer:

**No! God's gift is  
irrevocable!**



## **Romans 8:38-39 NIV**

38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,

39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



**God's**  
Sovereign  
Characteristics

Characteristic 7:

**God's  
Wisdom &  
Knowledge  
is Sovereign**



## **Romans 11:33-34 NIV**

33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

34 “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”



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Key Question 2:

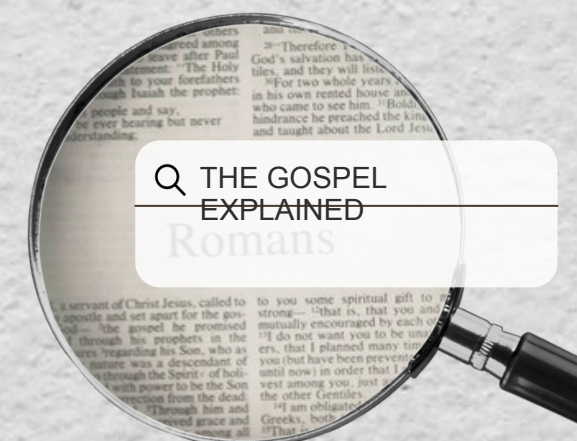
**What attitudes does Paul have towards the sovereignty of God?**

**Paul's**  
**Attitude towards**  
**God's**  
**Sovereignty**

**Attitude 1:**

**Passion**

**to his fellow Israelites**



## **Romans 9:2-4 NIV**

**2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart.**

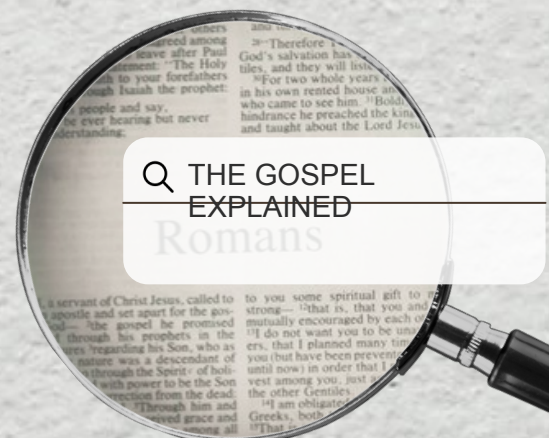
**3 For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from**

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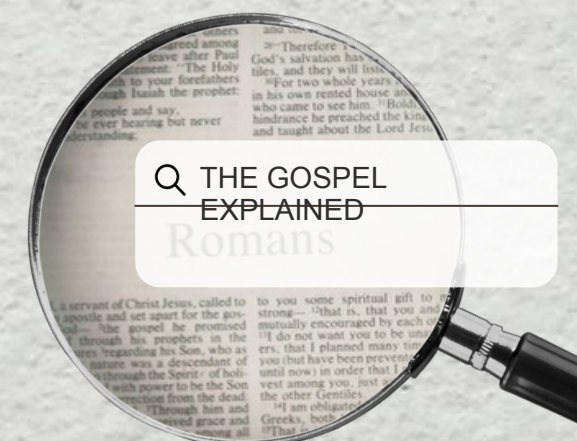
**of the law, the temple worship and the promises.**



**Paul's**  
**Attitude towards**  
**God's**  
**Sovereignty**

**Attitude 2:**

**Purpose**  
**to the Gentiles**



## **Romans 11:13 NIV**

13 I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I take pride in my ministry



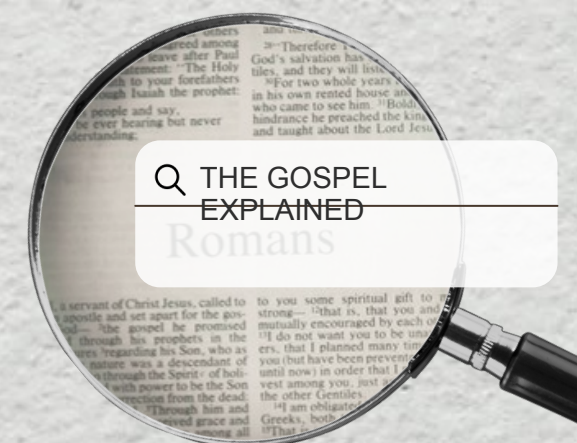


**Paul's**  
**Attitude towards**  
**God's**  
**Sovereignty**

**Attitude 3:**

**Perceives**

**God's sovereignty**

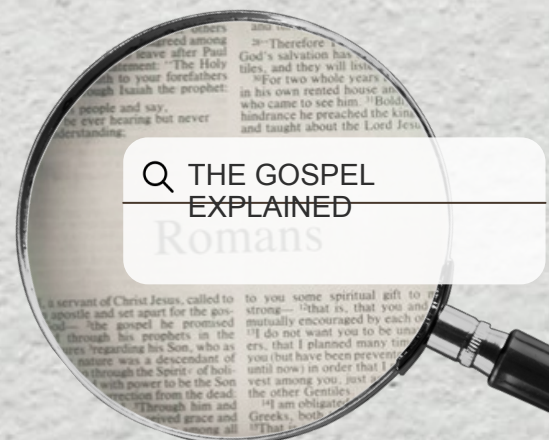


## **Romans 9:5 NIV**

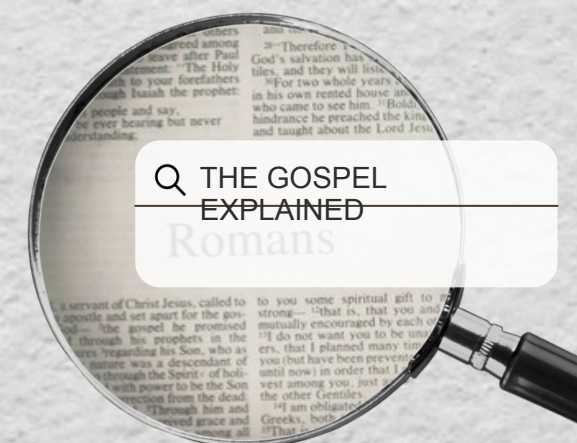
<sup>5</sup> Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is **God over all**, forever praised! Amen.

## **Romans 11:36 NIV**

<sup>36</sup> **For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.**



# Conclusion



**Because of God's Sovereign choice,  
I now experience the love of God.**

**Romans 5:8 NIV**

**8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:  
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**



**Because of God's Sovereign mercy,  
I am now justified.**

**Romans 9:16 NIV**

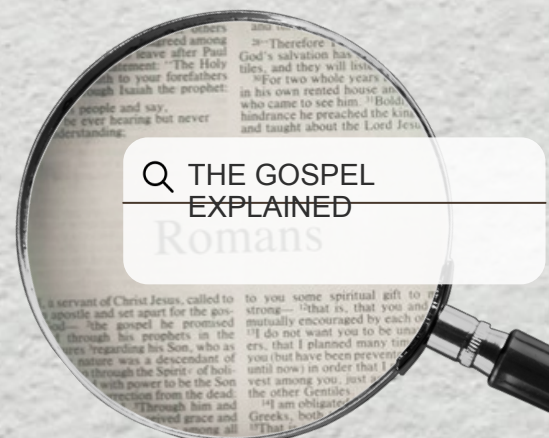
**16** It does not, therefore, depend on human desire or effort, but on God's mercy



**Because of God's Sovereign purpose,  
I have a meaningful life.**

**Romans 8:28 NIV**

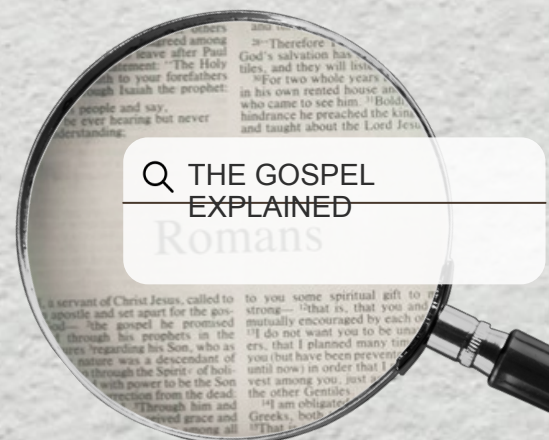
**28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.**



**Because of God's Sovereign calling,  
I am now a child of God.**

**Romans 9:26 NIV**

26 “In the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’ there they will be called ‘children of the living God.’”



**Because of God's Sovereign kindness,  
I am now grafted to His holiness.**

**Romans 11:16 NIV**

**16** If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches.





**Because of God's Sovereign gift,  
I now have eternal life.**

**Romans 6:23 NIV**

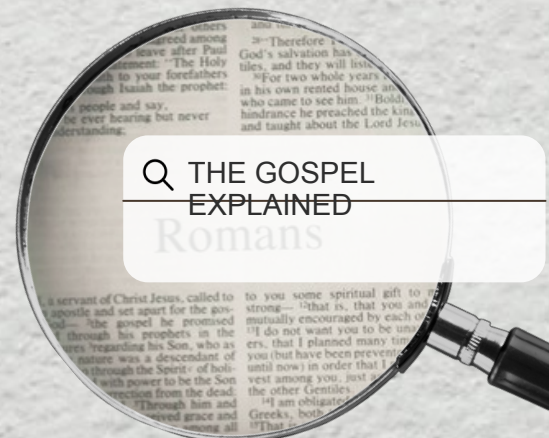
For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.



**Because of God's Sovereign wisdom and knowledge, I will never be put to shame.**

**Romans 9:33 NIV**

“See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who believes in him will never be put to shame.”





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