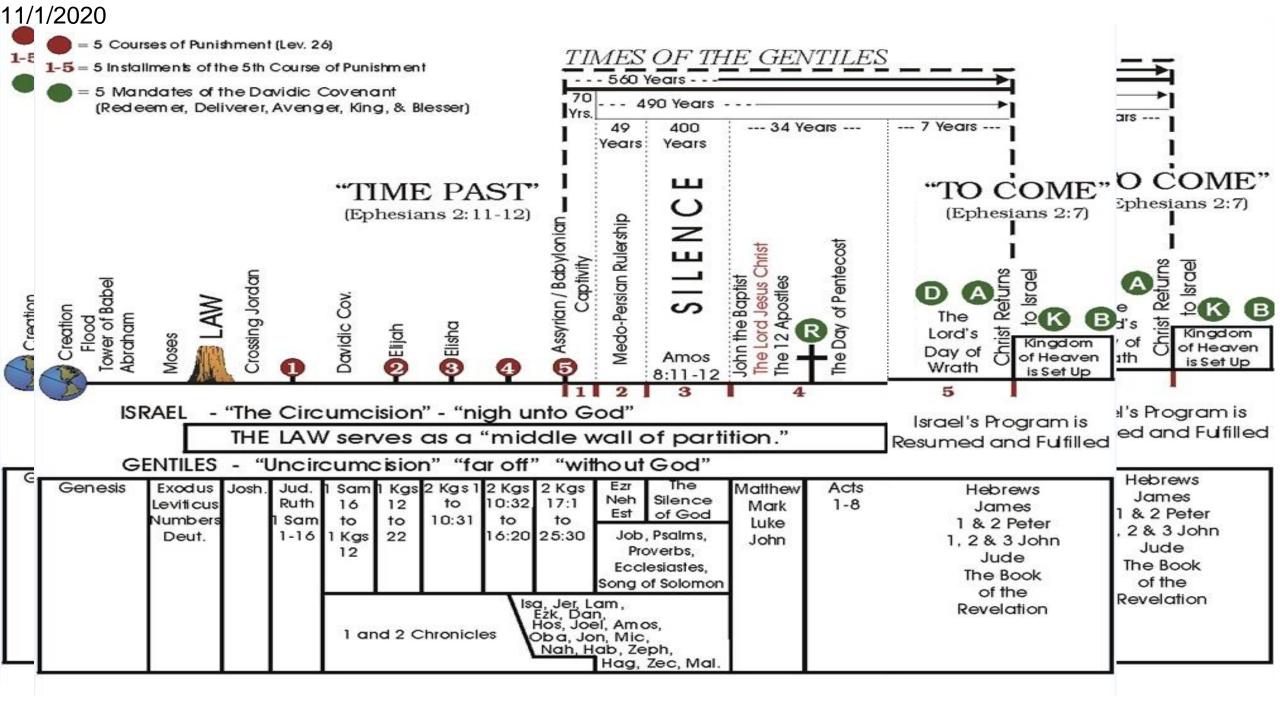
Paul's Transition Period Ministry to the Jews (Pt. 3)

Rom. 10:1-13



- This passage has to do with Paul's Transition Period Ministry to unbelieving Jews still associated with the accursed nation in the Courses of punishment under the Curses of the Law.
- 2. Unlike the Gentiles who needed salvation from being under the Curses of the FALL—enslavement to Sin and Death—the unbelieving Jews were also under the Curses of the Law—enslaved to the National sins of Israel.
- 3. Paul's Transition Period ministry explained how unbelieving Jews could be saved not only from the Curses of the Fall but also the Curses of the Law—the redemption that is in Christ's work on the Cross.

Believing Unto Faith Righteousness of God: Good News of Incarnation and Resurrection—Witness of Law/Prophets (Rom. 1-4)



Faith Confesses/Acknowledges that Jesus is Lord Without Shame



Confessing Jesus is Lord they will know call upon Him



Following Paul out of the accursed Nation Israel and into the blessed Body of Christ through the Gospel of Grace: ALL Justified from ALL THINGS: Good News of the Death of Christ No Witness of Law/Prophets--Mystery Truth (Rom. 5-8)

4. With this background, let's look at how Paul solves the three major problems for unbelieving Jews who are still members of the accursed sinful Nation of Israel.

PROBLEM #1: They missed out on the Righteousness of God through faith because they sought a law to establish their own righteousness (Rom. 9:30-32a, 10:1-3a). Unbelieving Jews will be saved from this predicament by (10:3-8):

a. Recognizing that the Law they are seeking does not exist, and that Christ was the goal of the Mosaic Law (10:3b-5).

b. They were using the Law "unlawfully." The Law does not establish rightness before God but their wrongness before God, by nature no better than the Gentiles. They would have fallen on the mercy of the court and would have received Christ when He came.

- 5. At Sinai, in rebellion against the Grace resident in God's Jehovah Name, Israel covenanted with God to "do" the Law thru the power of their own flesh.
 - a. Moses knew this was impossible and doomed to failure (compare the shortness of the Blessings of the Law and the lengthiness of its Curses in Lev. 26 and Deut. 28)
 - b. He knew that the only way they would get through the next 1500 years was to keep God's Word to them by faith in their hearts, participating in Faith Righteousness, falling on His mercy and the grace resident in His Jehovah Name, and God would work outside the Law (like He did at the Golden Calf Incident) and work in and through them despite their failures (Deut. 30:11-16). Ex. David.

- 6. So, Paul reminds them of a principle Moses laid down way back at the giving of the Law, explaining what to do when God's Word comes to the Israelites through one of His messengers (vv. 6-8).
 - --It must go from the mouth—hearing, speaking, reciting, memorizing, meditating, listening, reading, etc.—and go into the heart by believing it.

- 7. Just as God's Word went to the Israelites through Moses, and they were to receive it not just in the mouth but also believe it in the heart, so too God was then speaking to the Israelites through Paul, and they should follow the principle Moses gave, receiving and believing it as well. This would save them by connecting them to the Righteousness of God by faith, Faith Righteousness they had missed out on (10:6-8).
 - a. Faith Righteousness doesn't say to God's Word through Paul that Israel's Messiah has come: No, he hasn't. Someone has to go up and get Him. Nor does it say to God's Word through Paul that God raised Him from the dead: No, someone has to go down and get Him.

- b. Rather, Faith Righteousness receives and believes God's Word through Paul that Christ has come and even though He was put to death, God raised Him from the dead, taking it from the mouth to the heart. (10:6-8).
- 8. The Incarnation (Christ has already come down) and Resurrection (Christ has already been raised up) go hand-inhand. Believing in the Resurrection leads to the important fact that because God RAISED Jesus from the dead without seeing corruption, He MUST be the long promised unique Son of David who is also the unique Son of God—The Lord Himself enfleshed into the line of David, fulfilling God's promise to David—the INCARNATION (Ps. 16:8-11; Acts 13:30-37).

- a. <u>Jesus is LORD</u>—Jehovah God of Israel who receives praise (Mat. 21:15-17)
 - b. <u>BELIEVE!!</u> They were ignorant of the main ingredient in God's authority: FAITH. (21:23-27)
 - c. They were not rendering unto God (22:15-22).
 - c'. They don't know anything about God and His Word. (22:23-33)
 - b'. LOVE!! They were ignorant of the main ingredient in the Law: LOVE. (22:34-40)
- a'. <u>Jesus is LORD</u>—The unique Son of David who is also the unique Son of God. (22:41-46)

- 9. PROBLEM #2: They stumbled over the Lord Jesus Christ, God's foundation stone, making Him a stumbling stone of shame by refusing to confess or acknowledge who Jesus Christ is: He is the Lord (9:32b-33). To save them from this, Paul reminds them of something Solomon said about how they could be saved once the entered the 2nd Course of Punishment. (10:9-11; 2 Chron. 6:24-26):
 - a. Once speaking in accord with Faith Righteousness, God will bring them into the confession, acknowledgment, recognition that Jesus is Lord, something only God can do in the heart of faith. (10:9-10; Mat. 16:16-18).
 - b. Recognizing this will return them to God's foundation stone—the Lord Jesus Christ—without shame (10:11).

- 10.PROBLEM #3: They were ignorant of God and His things and therefore didn't "know" to call upon the Lord Jesus Christ to save them from God's wrath (10:2-3). The unbelieving Jews will be saved from this by:
 - a. When they speak in accord with Faith Righteousness believing God's Word through Paul, and are taught by God that Jesus is Lord, they would know to call upon Him (10:12-15).

11. They will be saved by calling upon the same Person the Gentiles were calling upon through Paul's ministry, resulting in salvation from the coming wrath (Rom. 5:8-11), not only for unbelieving Gentiles under the Curses of the Fall but for unbelieving Jew, who were under the Curses of the Law.

12. This completes the application of Rom. 1-4 to unbelieving Jews using the witness of the Law and Prophets and brings them into Rom. 5-8 where there is no witness from the Law and Prophets. In doing this, God and Paul lead them out of God's Prophetic Program with Nation of Israel and into His Mystery Program with Body of Christ, as we see him doing in Acts 13.

- 13.Of course, at the end of the Acts Period, the Transition Period, God ends all dealings with national Israel, she is numbered among the Gentile nations as a vessel of wrath, this salvation to the Jew with regard to being a part of the accursed nation is no longer needed.
 - --now God has gathered ALL without distinction—Jew and Gentile alike--under sin and in unbelief so that He can show mercy to ALL without distinction—Jew and Gentile alike (Rom. 11:30-32)

We will return to Acts 13 and see all of this in action.