

# Paul's Appeal That Some Jews Might Believe

What Happened to the Nation of Israel? (Pt. 8)

Rom. 9:1-18

1. According to Paul, God has cast away the Nation of Israel and is now dealing only with a very small remnant (Rom. 9:6-13).
  - a. Critic—That makes God unfaithful!
  - b. Paul—No, that's how God faithfully created the nation.
  
2. According to Paul, God is now using Israel's unrighteousness, unfaithfulness and rebellion to display His Grace, Mercy and Compassion (Rom. 9:14-15).
  - a. Critic—That makes God unrighteous because He would be using sin for His own good, encouraging sin.
  - b. Paul—No, that is what God did at the Golden Calf Incident and that didn't call into question God's righteousness.

3. According to Paul, God has postponed Israel's national salvation while He carries out another purpose to make His Power and Name known in the world (Rom. 9:17-18).
  - a. Critic—That would call into question God's faithfulness and right dealings with Israel.
  - b. Paul—No, that is what God did at the Exodus with Pharaoh and that didn't call into question God's righteousness and faithfulness, just man's ignorance.

4. God wasn't just teaching something about His Name (Glory) and Power to Pharaoh, the ruler of the earth, but to the Satanic rulers behind Pharaoh in the spiritual realm as well. (He will do this again when they are about to enter the land through the Balaam and Balak incident (Num. 22-24)).

5. Pharaoh and the people thought of Pharaoh as a re-incarnated “god,” Satan’s man on earth (Ezek. 29:3; 32:2; Ps. 74:13-14)
  - a. Ex. 14:4, 17—God’s Name will be honored thru Pharaoh.
  - b. Ex. 12:12—Not just judgment on Pharaoh but on all the “gods” of Egypt.
  - c. God announces that Satan’s rule of the Earth will be ended.

6. Today God is likewise delaying the deliverance of national Israel while He carries out another Purpose to make His Name (Glory) and Power known not just throughout the Earth but throughout the Heavens.
  - a. Eph. 1:8-12: His Purpose carried out through His Mystery Program
  - b. Eph. 1:13-18: To manifest His Glory through His Mystery people, Body of Christ (Name)
  - c. Eph. 1:19-23: To Display His Power in the destruction of Satan's rule IN THE HEAVENLIES.
  - d. Eph. 3:1-11: Which He had kept secret since before the beginning of Creation.

7. In Romans 9 (and what Paul taught in the synagogues in Acts) Paul wanted to get the Jews to realize that, yes, God is using the Nation of Israel's sinfulness and rebellion to manifest His Grace, Mercy and Kindness (like He did at the Golden Calf Incident).
  
8. But that does not leave them out of the picture because God is postponing Israel's deliverance while He carries out another Purpose that He had never spoken about before (like he did at the Exodus with Pharaoh).

9. Whereas back then the Israelites could participate in God's Purpose to make His Name and Power known in the Earthly realm, but now the Jews can participate in God's Purpose to make His Name and Power known in the Heavenly realm.
  
10. Whereas back then the Israelites could participate in God's Purpose to destroy Satanic rule of the Earth, now they can participate in God's Purpose to destroy Satanic rule in the Heavens.

11. Paul tells the Jews of his day that, yes, they are part of the apostate nation Israel, which had fallen and been cast away (temporarily). And, yes, God is NOW postponing the fulfillment of His Prophetic Program ...

But Glory of Glory, Wonder of Wonder,

God is also NOW offering them the opportunity to participate in a divine Purpose that is even GRANDER and GREATER than His grand and great Purpose for Israel.

12. While Israel's national salvation was no longer on the table, individual Jews could, however, be delivered from the accursed state of the apostate nation and be placed into God's Mystery Purpose for the Body of Christ by believing God's message through Paul's distinct apostleship.

13. Is it any wonder that the Jews said Paul was LYING!

IS IT ANY WONDER THAT PAUL BEGINS THE SECTION  
WITH, NO, I LIE NOT (Rom. 9:1)!!!

14. Paul is trying to get the Jews to embrace God's Righteousness in Saving His Enemies. God's AMAZING dispensing of the RICHES OF HIS GRACE AND MERCY, LONGSUFFERING AND FORBEARANCE, KINDNESS AND GOODNESS through Paul's apostleship.
15. Paul is trying to move them from saying: Paul's Gospel is too bad to be true to:  
IT IS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE! But it is true anyway! They should embrace it in awe and wonder, thankfulness and joy.