

# ROMANS STUDY

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.  
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

## Romans 3:9-18

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### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## And The Answer Is – Part 3

The Gospel of Grace, The Foundation of New Testament Theology  
According to Grace By The Argumentation of the Apostle Paul

### SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

**Grace, Faith, Works, Paul, Law, The Spiritual vs. The Carnal,**

The setting of the stage

(verses 1 thru 18 is the preamble to what is needing to be said)

### Romans 3:1-18

What advantage then has the Jew, or what is the profit of circumcision? 2 Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were committed the oracles of God. 3 For what if some did not believe? (the senseless decision to not believe) Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect? 4 Certainly not! Indeed, let God be true but every man a liar. As it is written: *“That You may be justified in Your words, and may overcome when You are judged.”* :5 But if our unrighteousness demonstrates the righteousness of God, what shall we say? (we’re wrong – we’ve always been wrong about you) Is God unjust who inflicts wrath? (I speak as a man.) 6 Certainly not! For then how will God judge the world? :7 For if the truth of God has increased through my lie to His glory, why am I also still judged as a sinner? 8 And why not say, “Let us do evil that good may come”? - - as we are slanderously reported and as some affirm that we say. Their condemnation is just :9 What then? Are we better than they? Not at all. For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin. :10 As it is written: *“There is none righteous, no, not one; 11 There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. 12 They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.”* 13 *“Their throat is an open tomb; With their tongues they have practiced deceit”; “The poison of asps is under their lips” ;14 “Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness.”* 15 *“Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16 Destruction and misery are in their ways; 17 And the way of peace they have not known.”* 18 *“There is no fear of God before their eyes.”*

Here in Romans Chapter 3 is a “Preamble” (1-18)  
to the rest of the Epistle (Book) of Romans.

The Set Up, Is Reduced to Just Two (2) Questions.  
“Are These Descriptions of Humanity - True or False?”  
“And is there a Communicate from God that answers  
the description - True or False?”

**Habakkuk 2:4**

“Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him.  
But **the just shall live by his faith.**”

**In Chapter 1 Paul (God) exposes Paganism / In Chapter 2 Paul (God) exposes Judaism / In Chapter 3 Paul (God) exposes Humanity**

**Heavens Indictment Against Humanity.**

Here are the Charges on a list of Indictments – These are Counts against.  
(Filed by God for Acts Against being Committed Against God)

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| 1. There is none righteous no not one.             | <b>verse 10</b> |
| 2. There is none that understands.                 | <b>verse 11</b> |
| 3. There is none that seeks after God.             | <b>verse 11</b> |
| 4. They are all gone out of their way.             | <b>verse 12</b> |
| 5. They are together become profitable.            | <b>verse 12</b> |
| 6. There is none that does good, no not one.       | <b>verse 12</b> |
| 7. Their throat is an open sepulcher.              | <b>verse 13</b> |
| 8. Their tongues they used deceit.                 | <b>verse 13</b> |
| 9. The poison of asps is under their lips.         | <b>verse 13</b> |
| 10. Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness. | <b>verse 14</b> |
| 11. Their feet are swift to shed blood.            | <b>verse 15</b> |
| 12. Destruction and misery are in their ways.      | <b>verse 16</b> |
| 13. The way of peace have they not known.          | <b>verse 17</b> |
| 14. There is no fear of God before their eyes.     | <b>verse 18</b> |

**And The Answer Is**

1.) Just when you thought there was no hope vs. 9-10

1a.) The Bible tells us what we already know vs. 9a

**Verse 9a**

:9 What then? are we better than they?  
not at all.

First of All – I find this remarkable - According to the Bible,  
There is a “General Operating Procedure”  
a “Uniformed or Mutual Code of Conduct” – a “Predictability”  
of whom we really are as human beings –

It may come as a shock to you – but every human being; Jew and Gentile alike,  
gravitates toward sin and enjoys it, all the while being mindful of  
the existence of God.

This is true “personally. This is true practically, This is true publicly”  
we are all united in this truth – we err away from God!

Ecclesiastes 7:20

For there is not a just man on earth (none are just)  
who does good (none do good) and does not sin. (none are sinless)

Romans 7:18

For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is  
present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find.

1 John 1:8-10

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in  
us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and  
to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have  
not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

### **Just When You Thought There Was No Hope The Answer Is...**

1b.) The Bible tells us the honest truth

vs. 9b

#### **Verse 9b**

:9b For we have previously charged both Jews and Gentiles  
that they (we) are all under sin.

**Charged** grk: proaitiaomai;  
to stand accused beforehand, to be charged with a crime before  
committing the crime – (the thought being, what is hidden inside will

come out. the sin-nature dwelling within humanity will come out. we are charged as “guilty” because He knows “what” we are and what we are going to do at the first opportunity.

**Under (Sin)** grk: hupo;

(under) meaning to be “held under” by hand or by the power of someone or something. to pin down, to be in the grip of. and

(sin) = ha’mar’tia: miss the mark, be off-course or be on the wrong trajectory.

*(The imagery is that of someone striving to hit a target but everything about the effort is hindered and inadequate, to fall or to come up short, to lack the power to hit the target within the time allotted - thus (every-time) missing the target altogether (not even close).”*

Proverbs 14:12

There is a way (set, ordered, programmed) that seems right to a man,  
but its end is the way of death.

Jeremiah 17:9-10

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; Who can know it? 10 I, the LORD, search the heart, I test the mind, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings.

**Deceitful** heb: aqab

to follow “near” or “at the heels of” with the intent to over throw, circumvent, supplant, to take by the heel and trip up. All aimed at what is good and of God.

**Desperately** heb: anash

to be incurably sick, malignant, {terminally ill}  
from the core outward.

**And So What’s The Answer ?**

**The Answer Is...**

Jeremiah 3:22

“Return, you backsliding children,  
and I will heal your backslidings.” “Indeed we do come to You,  
For You are the LORD our God.

Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, and let us reason together,” says the LORD, “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”

**Just When You Thought There Was No Hope  
The Answer Is...**

1c.) The Bible tells us where we must start

vs. 10

**Verse 10**

:10 As it is written:

(#1) *“There is none righteous, no, not one.*

**Righteous** grk; dikaios;  
correct (we are not) innocent (we are not) good (we are not)  
just (we are not) justice (we are not).

Mark 2:15-17

Now it happened, as Jesus was dining in Levi’s house, that many tax collectors and sinners also sat together with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many, and they followed Him....

16 And when the scribes and Pharisees saw Him eating with the tax collectors and sinners, they said to His disciples, “How is it that He eats and drinks with tax collectors and sinners?” 17 When Jesus heard it, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”

This is both Comical and a Terrifying at the same time.  
Jesus will never kick the door of your life open. He will never give you a beat down to save you.  
and to the odd, strange, & confusing church at Laodicea, Jesus said;

Revelation 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

“Excuse me hello, I know you’re in there. Can anyone of you in there hear Me? Will any of you inside invite Me in please? One simple question I need to ask you; “Are you going to open this door of your life to me?”

## And So What’s The Answer ?

### The Answer Is...

Jeremiah 33:3

“Call to Me, and I will answer you,  
and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.’

An exclusively reserved promise to His child (not the world)

Psalms 34:17-18

The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears, And delivers them out of all their troubles. 18 The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit.

## And The Answer Is

2.) Just when you thought you’ve fallen too far

vs. 11-13

### The Answer Is...

2a.) His mercy reached down from above

vs. 11-12

## Verse 11-12

*11 There is (#2) none who understands; There is (#3) none who seeks after God. 12 They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable There is (#4) none who does good, no, not one.”*

Paul – The Best Known Student of the Scriptures in His Day – if not “ever” combines the “Pearls of Scriptures” Psalms 14 & 53 notice here there are (4) Indictments from verses 10-12  
“There Is None.”

:10 As it is written: “*There is none (#1) righteous, no, not one.*”

**Righteous** grk: dikaios.  
correct, justice, what is right (void of innocence)

11a There is none (#2) who understands;

**Understands** grk: suniemi.  
to set together, to have gained insight.

11b There is none (#3) who seeks after God.

**Seeks** grk: ekzeteo.  
to seek out, demand, inquire, search for,

Parenthetical Insert

12a They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable

**Turned Aside** grk: **ekklino**;  
to deviate off course, to turn away, to swerve

**Unprofitable** grk: achreoo;  
a life without effect, with no need of, a life made or allowed  
to useless, or to become useless. a worthless life.

12b There is none (#4) who does good, no, not one."

## Verse 12

*12 They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable  
There is (#4) none who does good, no, not one."*

Deuteronomy 19:15

"One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any  
sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses  
the matter shall be established.

Deuteronomy 17:6

Whoever is deserving of death shall be put to death on the testimony of  
two or three witnesses; he shall not be put to death on  
the testimony of one witness.

Matthew 18:15-16

“Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, (=3) that “by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’

1 Timothy 5:19

Do not receive an accusation (indictment, gossip, attack) against an elder except from two or three witnesses.

## **And So What’s The Answer ?**

### **The Answer Is...**

The Testimony of the MAN is based upon (3) Witnesses.

(1) a person can accuse, (2) people can conspire. but it takes (3) people assemble a scandal.

The Testimony of the LORD is based upon (3) Witnesses.

(1) Jesus Christ atoned for the sins of others, (2) The Father and The Son agreed to the effect of the cross but (3) The Holy Spirit made Him known.

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

without the testimony of 3 none of this can be true.

John 14:16-17

And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever - 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. - *Yours Truly, Jesus Christ*

**Just When You Thought You've Fallen Too Far**  
**The Answer Is...**

2b.) His power took hold from within

vs. 13

**Verse 13**

13 *"Their throat is an open tomb; with their tongues they have practiced deceit"; "The poison of asps is under their lips"*

They speak and do evil. They plot and plan deeds that are crimes against the laws and crimes against fellow man.

Romans 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

<https://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/us/2021/november/nonbinary-odu-professor-calls-for-destigmatizingpedophilia>

Allyn Walker, an assistant professor at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, is arguing "minor-attracted people" — those sexually drawn to children under the age of 18 — should not be ostracized for their attractions - such urgings are OK, so long as they are not acted upon. "Walker, who identifies as "queer" and "nonbinary trans," said during a recent interview "There is no morality or immorality attached to attraction to anyone because no one can control who they're attracted to at all." says the XY chromosomes owner, boy, man, male

Ephesians 4:23

and be (being) renewed in the spirit <sup>(breath)</sup> of your mind,

13 *"Their throat is an open tomb;*

**Throat**      grk: larugx; a prim. word; the throat: —throat (1).

*As in "an open tomb" meaning the stench, odor, smell of decaying flesh.  
The smell of a corpse – of human remains.*

*with their tongues they have practiced deceit";*

**Tongues** grk: glossa;  
to speak a language, context demands that which is a language  
from hell or of a human, satanic, demonic nature

**Deceit** grk: dolioo;  
to trick, disguise, to intend to deceive.

Abigail Shrier: Audio exposes California teachers' efforts  
to subvert parents and recruit kids to LGBTQ+ clubs

<https://www.foxnews.com/us/abigail-shrier-audio-exposes-california-teachers-efforts-to-subvert-parentsand-recruit-kids-to-lgbtq-clubs>

### Permission to Digress - Media Deception

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-11-22/suv-speeds-into-christmas-parade-in-suburbanmilwaukee>

Waukesha, Wis. (AP) -- An SUV sped through barricades and into a parade of Christmas marchers in suburban Milwaukee on Sunday, killing multiple people as it hit more than 20 adults and children in a horrifying scene captured by the city's livestream and the cellphones of onlookers. Waukesha Police Chief Dan Thompson said "some" people had been killed but would not give an exact number. A person was in custody, as was the SUV, he said, but he did not give any indication of motive.

The man's prior history shows that he likes to drive cars into people as he has done this before – I mean, "stop the sales immediately of all SUV's"

*"The poison of asps is under their lips"*

**Under** grk: hupo; meaning a concealed or hidden power, influence danger.

James 3:3-6

Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. 4 Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. 5 Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! 6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.

The Power You and I Have Between Our Teeth is Truly Terrifying  
You and I can unleash our tongues and forever alter  
someone's body, soul, and spirit

James 3:7-12

For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. 8 But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. 9 With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. 10 Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. 11 Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? 12 Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

**And So What's The Answer ?**  
**The Answer Is...**  
**Repent of Your Sins**

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*End of Study*

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