

ROMANS 9-11

A Look at Missions

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**ISRAEL'S CALL IS TO BE A
LIGHT TO THE NATIONS-THEY ARE
CALLED TO SPREAD THE KNOWLEDGE
OF GOD ACROSS THE WORLD.**

**ISRAEL WAS CALLED TO TELL,
PROCLAIM, AND MAKE KNOWN
THE MIGHTY DEEDS OF GOD.**

-PSALM 105:1, PSALM 9:11

**THE EXPECTED RESULTS WOULD
BE THAT THE ENDS OF THE EARTH
WOULD TURN TO THE LORD AND ALL
THE FAMILIES ON EARTH WOULD
BOW DOWN AND WORSHIP HIM.**

-PSALM 22:27, 66:4

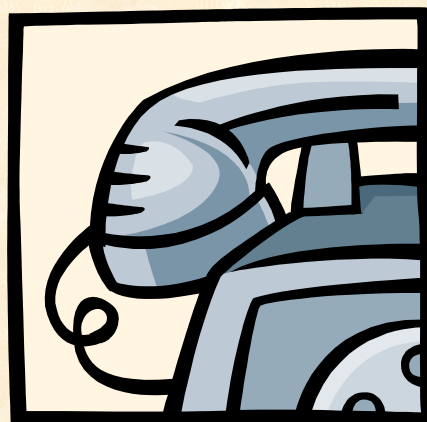
✦ **GENESIS 12:1-3-GOD FORMS
A NATION.**

✦ **ABRAHAM IS PROMISED
THREE BLESSINGS:**

BE A GREAT NATION.

BLESSED PERSONALLY BY GOD.

HIS “NAME” WOULD BE GREAT.



**THE CENTRAL MISSIONARY CALLING OF
ISRAEL/THE JEWISH PEOPLE WAS
TO BE A "LIGHT TO THE GENTILES"
(ISAIAH 42:6; 49:6; 51:4; 60:1-3; ACTS 13:47)**

**ISRAEL WAS THE VEHICLE BY WHICH GOD
WOULD BRING THE SCRIPTURES AND THE
MESSIAH TO THE WORLD.**

ISAIAH - **SERVANT** PASSAGES:

ISRAEL AS A WHOLE IS CALLED A
SERVANT IN PASSAGES SUCH AS
ISAIAH 41:8-9; 42:19; 43:10; 44:21;45:4;
48:20

ISAIAH 49:3;5-7; 50:10;52:13-53:12
THE **SERVANT** IS AN INDIVIDUAL

“THE ATONEMENT OF THE **SERVANT**”
(ISAIAH 52:13-53:12)

ISAIAH 52:13-53:12- AN INDIVIDUAL

- PART OF THE SERVANT'S CALLING IS TO BE REJECTED BY HIS OWN PEOPLE.
- HE IS FORSAKEN OF MEN, THOUGHT TO BE AN OFFENSE, DESPISED, AND ESTIMATED TO BE OF LITTLE OR NO VALUE TO ANYONE.
- THE SERVANT IS OBEDIENT AND FULFILLS THE MISSION SET BEFORE HIM.
- THE SERVANT IS EXALTED (ISAIAH 53:10-12).

ISAIAH 53- THE SERVANT IS AN OFFERING IN ISAIAH 53:10, WE FIND THE HEBREW NOUN IS *ASHEM* – “A PROPITIATORY VICTIM FOR SIN ON WHICH THE GUILT AND PENALTY BEING LAID, CEASES TO BE IMPUTED TO US.”

HEBREW WORD FOR ATONEMENT- *KAPHAR* MEANS “TO COVER,” CAN ALSO TAKE ON A BROADER MEANING SUCH AS “EXPIATION,” “CONDONING,” “WIPING AWAY” OR “CANCELING.”

ISAIAH 53 SAYS THAT THE **SERVANT** WILL BE REJECTED BY HIS OWN PEOPLE. JOHN 1:11:
“HE CAME TO HIS OWN AND HIS OWN RECEIVED HIM NOT.”

THE **SERVANT** HAS TO MAKE UNIVERSAL ATONEMENT. JOHN THE BAPTIST CRIES OUT, *“BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD”* (JOHN 1:29).

THE **SERVANT** WILL BE AN OFFERING FOR TRESPASSES AND SINS. “TRESPASS OFFERING” AND “GUILT OFFERING” OCCURS 22 TIMES IN LEVITICUS 6.

God's Mercy to The Gentile People

“ AND FOR THE GENTILES TO GLORIFY GOD FOR HIS MERCY AS IT IS WRITTEN, “THEREFORE I WILL GIVE PRAISE TO YOU AMONG THE GENTILES, AND I WILL SING TO YOUR NAME.” AGAIN HE SAYS, “REJOICE, O GENTILES, WITH HIS PEOPLE.” AND AGAIN, “PRAISE THE LORD ALL YOU GENTILES, AND LET ALL THE PEOPLES PRAISE HIM.” AGAIN ISAIAH SAYS, “THERE SHALL COME THE ROOT OF JESSE, AND HE WHO ARISES TO RULE OVER THE GENTILES, IN HIM SHALL THE GENTILES HOPE.”

(Romans 15:9-12)

These promises are direct quotes from the Hebrew Bible (The Torah, the Prophets, and the Writings).

Romans 15:9 is taken from the Prophets, 2 Samuel 22:50.

Romans 15:10 is taken from the Torah - Deut. 32:43.

Romans 15:11 is taken from The Writings - Psalm 117:1.

Romans 15:12 is taken from The Prophets - Isaiah 11:10.

PAUL'S MISSION

**PAUL RECEIVES HIS MARCHING ORDERS
FROM THE JEWISH SCRIPTURES!**

**PAUL GOES TO "THE JEW FIRST,"
BUT ALSO GOES TO THE GENTILES.**

**BOOK OF ACTS: PAUL KNEW THOSE CALLED
"GOD FEARERS" WHO WERE GENTILES WHO
BELIEVED IN THE GOD OF ISRAEL.**

***PAUL IS STATING THAT ALL OF THE
JEWISH SCRIPTURES TESTIFY TO THE
IDEA OF GENTILES MINISTERING
ALONGSIDE THE JEWISH PEOPLE.***

***AS AN APOSTLE TO THE GENTILES
PAUL'S MINISTRY REPRESENTED
ISRAEL'S CALLING IN THE ABRAHAMIC
COVENANT TO BLESS THE NATIONS.***

***GOD'S PLAN IS FOR ISRAEL TO PREACH
HIS MERCY TO THE GENTILES, THAT
WE ALL MAY WORSHIP THE
LORD TOGETHER!***

(ROMANS 9:1-5; ROMANS 10:1-3)

PAUL'S HEART WAS BROKEN BECAUSE HIS PEOPLE, AS A NATION, HAD NOT EMBRACED THE MESSIAH, AN UNSPEAKABLE SPIRITUAL TRAGEDY.

ISRAEL HAD *NOT* ATTAINED THE RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR WHICH IT SOUGHT, STUMBLING OVER JESUS, THE DIVINE STUMBLINGBLOCK, AND THUS HE PRAYS FOR HIS PEOPLE TO BE SAVED.

***“FOR I SAY THAT CHRIST HAS BECOME
A SERVANT TO THE CIRCUMCISION ON
BEHALF OF THE TRUTH OF GOD TO CONFIRM
THE PROMISES GIVEN TO THE FATHERS.”***

(ROMANS 15:8)

**PAUL UNDERSTOOD THAT THE MESSIAH
HAD TO BE A SERVANT TO
THE JEWISH PEOPLE.**

ROMANS 11:17-21

THE GENTILES HAVE BEEN
“GRAFTED IN.” THEY ARE NOT “APART” FROM
ISRAEL (ROMANS 11:17-21)

AS GENTILE BELIEVERS FOLLOW MESSIAH’S
EXAMPLE AND MINISTER TO JEWISH PEOPLE,
THEY ARE CONFIRMING THE PROMISES TO THE
FATHERS.

- BECAUSE OF THE GENTILES OPPORTUNITY TO
RECEIVE THE BLESSING OF SALVATION, THEY
NOW ARE CALLED TO SERVE ISRAEL AND
PROVOKE THE JEWISH PEOPLE TO JEALOUSLY!
(ROMANS 11:11,31).

THE CONDITION OF JEW AND GENTILE

WHAT THEN? ARE WE BETTER THAN THEY? NOT AT ALL; FOR WE HAVE ALREADY CHARGED THAT BOTH JEWS AND GREEKS ARE ALL UNDER SIN.

(ROMANS 3:9)

FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD. (ROMANS 3 :23)

ALL OF US LIKE SHEEP HAVE GONE ASTRAY, EACH OF US HAS TURNED TO HIS OWN WAY.

(ISAIAH 53:6)

**BECAUSE OF THE FALL OF
MAN, BOTH JEW AND
GENTILE ARE IN A STATE OF
ALIENATION FROM GOD.**

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**HOW DOES AN INFINITE AND
TRANSCENDANT GOD BRIDGE THE GAP
WITH FINITE MAN?**



**GOD TAKES THE INITIATIVE TO
REVEAL HIMSELF**




MEDIUMS:

- 1. CREATION (ROMANS 1:18-21)**
- 2. THE PROPHETS (EPH. 2:20)**
- 3. MIRACLES/THEOPHANIES**
- 4. DREAMS/VISIONS**
- 5. CONSCIENCE- (ROMANS 2: 12-15)**
- 6. THE MESSIAH (HEBREWS 1:1-2)**
- 7. THE BIBLE**
- 8. A MESSENGER (ROM 10: 14)**
- 9. T.V. LITERATURE, INTERNET....**


PAUL ON MARS HILL - ACTS 17



“THEREFORE HAVING OVERLOOKED THE TIMES OF IGNORANCE, GOD IS NOW DECLARING TO MEN THAT ALL PEOPLE EVERYWHERE SHOULD REPENT, BECAUSE HE HAS FIXED A DAY IN WHICH HE WILL JUDGE THE WORLD IN RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH A MAN WHOM HE HAS APPOINTED, HAVING FURNISHED PROOF TO ALL MEN BY RAISING HIM FROM THE DEAD.” (ACTS 30-31).



**WHAT DOES PAUL SAY ABOUT THIS ISSUE?
ATHENS (ACTS 17)**

- **THE RESURRECTION IS THE NEW STARTING POINT FOR ALL TRUE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD**
 - **PAUL KNEW THAT GOD TAKES THE INITIATIVE TO REVEAL KNOWLEDGE OF HIMSELF TO MAN**
 - **PAUL CONFRONTED A PAGAN AND PLURALISTIC CULTURE WITH THE JEWISH MESSAGE OF THE ONE TRUE GOD AND A KING WHO IS NOT CAESAR BUT JESUS THE MESSIAH!**
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THE MESSIANIC TASK: IS ACCOMPLISHED IN A SERIES OF STAGES! THE ACTIONS OF THE MESSIAH:

- 1. JESUS' TASK BEGAN AT JOHN'S BAPTISM**
- 2. THE ATONEMENT- DEATH**
- 3. THE RESURRECTION AND ASCENSION**
- 4. HE IS CURRENTLY CARRYING OUT HIS MESSIANIC TASK AS OUR ADVOCATE AND PRIEST**
- 5. HE WILL FINISH THE TASK AT HIS SECOND COMING!**

**DOES PAUL SAY THE GOD FEARING GENTILES
OR THE JEWISH PEOPLE ARE SAVED BY THE
VIRTUE OF KNOWING THE HEBREW BIBLE?**

***"THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN TO YOU, BRETHREN,
THAT THROUGH HIM FORGIVENESS OF SINS IS
PROCLAIMED TO YOU, AND THROUGH HIM EVERYONE
WHO BELIEVES IS FREED FROM ALL THINGS, FROM
WHICH YOU COULD NOT BE FREED THROUGH THE
LAW OF MOSES."*** (ACTS 13: 38-39)

**PAUL OFFERS FORGIVENESS THROUGH JESUS
AS THE MESSIAH. HE MAKES "FREEING"
("JUSTIFICATION") FROM SIN CONDITIONAL
UPON BELIEVING ON YESHUA.**

ACTS 10:1-4

“NOW THERE WAS A MAN AT CAESAREA NAMED CORNELIUS, A CENTURION OF WHAT WAS CALLED THE ITALIAN COHORT, A DEVOUT MAN AND ONE WHO FEARED GOD WITH ALL HIS HOUSEHOLD, AND GAVE MANY ALMS TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE AND PRAYED TO GOD CONTINUALLY.”

EVEN THOUGH CORNELIUS BELIEVED IN THE GOD OF ISRAEL, IT WAS NOT ENOUGH!

PETER DOES NOT SAY, “I AM HERE TO ANNOUNCE TO YOU THAT THOSE OF YOU WHO FEAR GOD AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT ARE ALREADY FORGIVEN”

REMEMBER:

Gentiles are called to take the message of Messiah back to the Jewish people; they help Jewish people fulfill their calling!

The New Testament teaches that Jewish people must explicitly believe in Jesus for forgiveness of sins!

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