



# Calvary Oro Valley

## Wed. Night Discipleship Group Study

*Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

### Romans Study #34

#### **Romans 9:1-4**

Questions for discussion:

Our focus is slightly shifted now. In chapter 9 we will see Paul begin to deal with the problem associated with Israel's condition.

The over-arching question of chapters 9-11 goes something like this: How can I be secure in God's love and salvation to me when it seems that Israel was once loved and saved, but now seems to be rejected and cursed? Will God also reject and curse me one day?

#### **1. Verses 1-2**

- a. Are your actions and words confirmed in your conscience through the Holy Spirit? What does that look like?
- b. Who is Paul's unceasing anguish for?
- c. Why does it seem like Israel is separated from God's love in this chapter?
- d. When was the last time you wept for the lost?

#### **2. Verses 3-4**

- a. Why would Paul wish himself cut off from Christ for the sake of his people? (Same heart as Moses in Exodus 32:31-32 and Jesus in Galatians 3:13)
- b. Are you troubled by the condition of the souls of men rather than the petty worries of life?
- c. Why is Israel so special?
- d. Why is it important to pray for Israel?

**Be sure to go through these questions on your own and be ready to discuss what the Lord shows you this Wednesday! Use the study resources on the back page!**

***BIBLE STUDY RESOURCES:***

- Pastor David Guzik: [www.enduringword.com](http://www.enduringword.com), select online commentary near the top.
- [www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org) is good for reading/and or listening different commentaries (like Chuck Smith and J. Vernon McGee), different bible translations, using Strong's concordance for original word meanings.
- Pastor Jon Courson commentary: [www.joncourson.com](http://www.joncourson.com) On the left side of the page click on "topical and expositional teachings sorted by bible book"
- [www.biblehub.com](http://www.biblehub.com) is another website that contains different commentaries from some of the older guard of pastors and bible commentators. Enter your scripture in the search bar at the top.
- [www.crosswalk.com](http://www.crosswalk.com) is another bible study website that you can read commentaries.

Remember what we have learned about studying God's Word:

- Read the passage over and over again, each time asking God to speak to you and give you insight.
- Observation, Interpretation, Application.
  - Write down the first things that you observe in the text, even the most basic. Whatever you see, write it down.
  - Now, write down what those observations mean, interpret them. Explain them.
  - Now, based on what you have read and observed, how do you apply the text to your life.
- If you have questions, ask your Discipleship leaders.