

LESSONS THIS QUARTER

1) 01 Mar 2020.....	Romans 01a.....	Compelled
2) 08 Mar.....	Romans 01b.....	Guilty
3) 15 Mar.....	Romans 02.....	Insufficient
4) 22 Mar.....	Romans 03-04.....	Justified
5) 29 Mar.....	Romans 05.....	At Peace
6) 05 April.....	Romans 06-07.....	Free
7) 12 April.....	Luke 24:1-12 [EASTER].....	Raised
8) 19 April.....	Romans 08-09.....	Secured
9) 26 April.....	Romans 10.....	Saved
10) 03 May.....	Romans 11.....	Mercy
11) 10 May.....	Romans 12.....	Sacrifices
12) 17 May.....	Romans 13.....	Citizens
13) 24 May.....	Romans 14.....	Accepting
14) 31 May.....	Romans 15-16.....	Reach

INTRODUCTION

- Paul continues his argument of who can receive God's grace of eternal life and who won't (not who can't)
 - ♦ ...and it is based on first having and knowing sound doctrine
- Without knowing what is true and rightfully acting upon it gives only false hope

Passage	Comments
Romans 10:1-7	<p>It Is OK to Pray for People to Get Saved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • v1. Paul prayed to God for his kinsmen to get saved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ God uses our prayers to accomplish His will ♦ As we saw in chap 7, we are to bear fruit, & the best fruit according to John 15:7-8 is answered prayer • v2. "They have a zeal for God, but without knowledge" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ IOW, sound doctrine is critical and crucial ♦ You can be the nicest person on earth, giving all your possessions to the poor, and still end up in Hell ♦ Consider Cornelius. He was a religiously devout man, he prayed to God continually, he gave much money to religious causes, YET, he was Hell-bound. He and his household needed to hear a message, but not just any message, a special message containing sound doctrine, "by which they would be saved"..... Acts 10:1-2; 11:14 ♦ Most of us have Passion or Zeal. Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, Muslims, Catholics, Baptists, Methodists – all have passion and zeal for their belief systems. BUT, it is only sound doctrine that both saves and matures the hearers..... 1Tim 4:16 • vv3-4. Paul blames the Jews for not willfully submitting themselves to God's righteousness in Christ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ They did not know about or subject themselves to God's righteousness. They had the truth in hand (The Law), but their willful ignorance blinded them
10:8-13	<p>God Made Getting Saved Very Easy for Many</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vv9-10. 'Confess with our mouths and believe in our hearts' conveys willfully accepting Christ as our Lord • v12. The Lord "is rich unto ALL that call upon Him" – another passage that God's salvation is open to ALL • v13. "Whosoever shall call on Christ shall be saved! – It is open to everyone, anyone, ALL <p>YET, Jesus says, "It is Hard to Enter the Kingdom"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ...especially for those who are rich..... Mark 10:24-25 • Fortunately, "ALL things are possible with God" • For ALL, ANYONE, EVERYONE to make it into Heaven, the simple and only qualification is to come to God as a child, totally dependent on Him, having nothing to offer for His goodness..... Mark 10:14-15

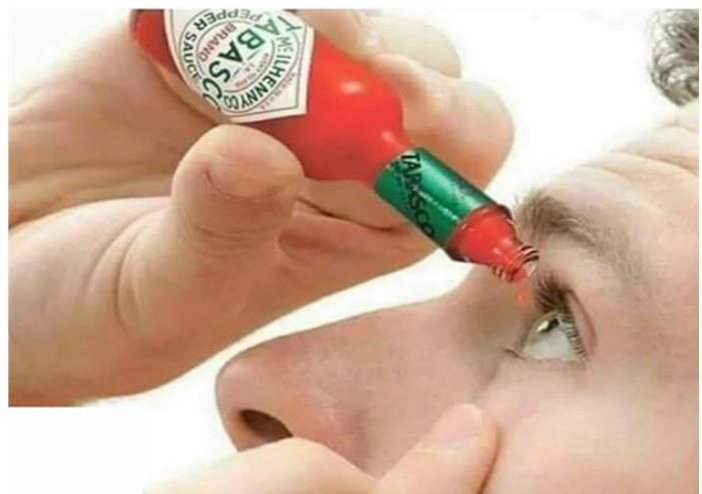
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When Does "ALL" mean "ALL"	<p>Does ALL Always Mean Everyone or Many or Some?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In ALL cases, the meaning of ALL is context-dependent • For example, Romans 3:9 "...for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles are ALL under sin" – In this case, ALL means everyone – Jew & Gentile, elect and non-elect, male and female, young and old • Rom 3:19,23, "...and ALL the world may become guilty" for "all have sinned" – ALL means everyone • Rom 5:18 By one transgression there resulted condemnation to ALL, even so through one act of righteousness (by Christ) there resulted justification of life to ALL. (Eternal Life is made available to everyone) • Rom 10:12 "...the same Lord over ALL (everyone) is rich unto ALL that call upon him (now it gets selective)
10:14-15	<p>Preaching Christ Brings Salvation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some Christians believe in dispensational salvation – that is, there are different ways to get saved depending on when someone lived in history • In reality, people come to God by only one means, through Christ, even if they lived in the pre-flood era, or during the Millennial reign of Christ..... John 14:6 • In brief, Old Testament saints looked forward to the cross by faith (Hebrews 11), and New Testament saints look back on the cross, again by faith • In both the Old and New Testaments "the just shall live by faith" Habakkuk 2:4 and Romans 1:17
10:16-21	<p>Many in Israel Missed Out Due to Willful Unbelief</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • v16. "But they have not all obeyed the Gospel" • v18. "Have they not heard? Yes, they heard!" • v21. God stretched His hands continuously to a disobedient people – what more could God do?

CONCLUSION / APPLICATIONS

- If we are going to have a zeal or passion for God and His Kingdom, let's make sure our doctrine is sound. This is a life-long quest.

NEXT WEEK: Romans 11. We are introduced to another Mystery! When the "fullness of the Gentiles is complete, then Israel's "partial hardening" will be removed for "ALL Israel to be saved"!

THINGS I'D RATHER DO THAN OBEY GOD



The sad truth is the wicked would rather spend an eternity in Hell than one moment before a holy and righteous God.