

Righteousness for Everyone Who Believes

Romans 9:22-10:4

“the gospel... the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed... that is by faith...” (1:16-17)

Does Israel’s unbelief mean God’s word has failed?

(9:1-13)

Is God just to show mercy and harden as He wills?

(9:14-21)

God is patient with those who reject Him—though willing to show His wrath and power. (22)

“God...bore with great patience the objects of his wrath—prepared for destruction”

God also shows *“the riches of His glory”* by giving mercy to those He has prepared for glory. (23)

“the objects of his mercy, whom he prepared in advance for glory”

God is calling all people: Jews and Gentiles (24-29)

“...even us, whom he also called, not only from the Jews but also from the Gentiles...”

The tragic mistake of Israel (9:30-10:3)

Israel rejected God’s plan of “righteousness that is by faith.”

Israel tried to gain righteousness “by works.”

Israel stumbled over the “stumbling stone”: Christ.

God’s righteousness is Christ. (10:4)

Important life applications for us from this scripture...

1. We worship a God who preserves His rights as Creator, Shaper, Lord and Judge over all people.
2. We must be certain not to reject God’s plan—since He has given us great privileges.
3. We must continually believe in Christ alone as our only confidence of being right with God.