

Romans Series

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The Epistle to the ROMANS

**Election: Jacob and Esau
Romans 9:6–13**



1:18–5:21 relates Israel to the righteousness of God and justification (2:9–10, 17, 28–29, 3:1, 9, 29),

6:1–8:17 relates Israel to the righteousness of God and sanctification through the contrast of grace and law,

8:18–39 relates Israel to the righteousness of God and glorification,

9:1–11:36 relates Israel to the righteousness of God and its vindication,

12:1–16:27 relates Israel to the righteousness of God and its practical application.

“What Wright has done is to pick on a minor theme that is necessary for Paul’s argument that all people are sinners and in need of salvation, and has turned that minor theme into the theme of Romans. His language is strong, even full of hubris at points, but this ‘pounding the pulpit’ does not alleviate the problem that his vision of Paul’s doctrine of justification—as attractive and coherent as it is—does not adequately deal with the text.”

“Coherent arguments are made all the time about this or that aspect of the Bible’s teaching, but when they don’t match what the text says, then they must be rejected. I would view Wright’s synthesis of Romans as a brilliant failure—brilliant because of how coherent it is, but a failure because it sits three feet above the text at all points where it would be inconvenient to wrestle with what the text actually says. In this respect, Wright’s view simply cannot handle the ‘inconvenient truth’ (to borrow a phrase from Al Gore) that Romans is.”

~Daniel Wallace, “Δικαιοσύνη Θεοῦ and N. T. Wright”

Romans 9:2, “that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart.”

Romans 9:3, “For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh,”

**Romans 9:4, “who are Israelites,
to whom pertain the adoption,
the glory, the covenants, the
giving of the law, the service of
God, and the promises;”**

Romans 9:5, “of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen.”

All Ethnic Israel

**Ethnic Israel
+
regeneration**

Rom. 9:6, “But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. For they are not all Israel who are of Israel,

Rom. 9:7, “nor are they all children because they are the seed of Abraham; but, ‘In Isaac your seed shall be called.’ ”

Romans 9:8, “That is, those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God; but the children of the promise are counted as the seed.”

Romans 9:9, “For this is the word of promise: ‘At this time I will come and Sarah shall have a son.’ ”

**Romans 9:10, “And not only this,
but when Rebecca also had
conceived by one man, even by
our father Isaac”**

Romans 9:11, “(for the children not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls),”

**Romans 9:12, “it was said to her,
‘The older shall serve the
younger.’ ”**

**Romans 9:13, “As it is written,
‘Jacob I have loved, but Esau I
have hated.’ ”**