

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for May 12, 1991

“Israel’s Rejection of the Gospel”
Romans 10: 1-8
Part 1

Introduction - Israel’s ignorance of God. How could Israel, God’s people reject the Messiah if He is real?

Body:

1. Israel because of their choice to remain ignorant, they reject Jesus.

God being the potter and making vessels for common use does not diminish any person’s responsibility of choice. Israel chose to be ignorant.

Paul’s hearts desire and prayer is for the salvation of the Jewish people. His response to their ignorance is praying for them.

We may not fully understand how the sovereignty of God and how the responsibility of human choice fit together.

The Jews know about God but they DO NOT KNOW HIM. They do not want to know God (Hosea 4:6). They choose to reject the knowledge of God. Destroyed for lack of knowledge, by choice (Jer. 9: 1-3).

Vv. 3, they rejected the knowledge of God’s righteousness, His righteousness, that He is right in all He does! They did not want to see God’s righteousness, holiness. They wanted to be comfortable where they were, so they kept God at arm’s length, rejection.

Romans 1:17, God’s righteousness and establishing their own righteousness, where they are comfortable.

We can not establish our own righteousness.