

Romans – 9B **Listening Guide**

Review

1. What about Israel? Chapters 9-11 are Israel's past, present and future. How can we as Christians trust God to keep His promises?
2. Paul began to address that question by explaining that God's word has _____ failed concerning Israel.
3. In order to understand...we have to understand who God had in mind when He declared His promises. For not all are _____ who are descended of Israel.
4. From the beginning God has been _____ some in the line of Israel to receive His _____, while at the same time _____ over others.
5. Why doesn't God extend His _____ to everyone?

Romans 9:19

6. At the point where I'm convinced that God is in fact _____, and it is in fact a necessity that He step in to change a heart for it will never do it on its own then the next logical question is why doesn't He do that for everyone?
 7. Paul knew that this would be the logical seed of doubt...to indict God's _____ in the minds of believers. We bring our own perspective on what _____ character requires.
 8. Two responses.
 - To _____ God's Word wholeheartedly, entirely.
 - To try to _____ our feelings with the text. We create an alternative interpretation.
 9. Why does God convict any man of his sin, if He has the power to bring them into faith and into obedience to the gospel and then let them receive His mercy?
 10. First Paul has to deal with a problem that comes up when you ask the question.
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11. We have no standing to even assume such a perspective in making this challenge to God.
 12. We are not permitted by scripture to evaluate the believability of these Biblical truths on the basis of how they make us _____.

13. Therefore we must accept _____ and understand it apart from the way it makes us feel because...in time the _____ will conform your heart to an understanding of scripture.

14. Presumption becomes a barrier to our own growth.

15. On a national level...God can choose a _____ for Himself.

16. He could also create nations like Egypt for _____ purpose.

Isaiah 10:5

17. God is work with nations for dishonorable use.

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18. If He can act this way on a _____ level are we to reserve any rights on an _____ level that He is not in control?

19. Knowing that, the same principle applies on an individual basis. God _____ up certain people for certain purposes.

John 15, 6:68

20. Jesus went out of His way to choose one whom He knew would _____ believe in Him.

21. God will appoint men to serve certain purposes as this is what it means to be _____.

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22. God is certainly _____ to demonstrate His wrath and make His power known. God is more than willing to be _____ with each one of us.

23. What would fair require? We all go to _____.

24. The objection that God is selective begins with the point of view of fairness. True fairness requires that _____ goes to heaven.

25. Don't lose sight of what God could have done. He could have _____ everyone.

26. The simple reality is that God has to endure unbelievers...if He's going to allow opportunity for us to be born.

27. The second profound truth; what options did God have in addressing the sin of mankind?

- You can save _____

- You can save _____

- You can save _____

28. **None** would leave God with no creation to _____ His name.

29. What basis would He use for deciding whether it should be some or all?

- What brings God the most _____?

30. If **all** are saved...we would never know anyone who is truly in jeopardy of judgment or the prospect of hell. We can't know God's mercy unless there is balancing understanding of judgment.

31. If there was no such thing as jeopardy there could be no way for God to receive our praise for His _____. Therefore He receives more _____, more praise for His long-suffering...so that the ones God elects...might know and understand what grace means.

32. **Three issues.**

- Why evangelize?

- Why pray?

- What difference does it make what I do?

33. God decides to work _____ men.

34. Prayer is an opportunity for God to receive _____ in His answering of prayer. His purposes won't change for the sake of our prayer but our will will be conformed to His in our practice of prayer. We begin to align ourselves with His will.

35. Paul's larger point is addressing the fate of the nation of Israel primarily. God is continuing in a pattern of some election, some passing over.

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36. God has always been foreshadowing...the Gentile nations receiving the Messiah.

37. We've concluded the past. Measuring God's faithfulness to His promises requires a perspective that is broader than...time or Israel by birth.

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