

CALVINISM'S PRETEXT: A TEXT WITHOUT THE CONTEXT

I DON' T WANT TO READ
THE RIBLE! I HATE THE
RIBLE! I' D RATHER DO
ANYTHING THAN READ
THE RIBLE!



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Romans 9:18, “Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth. Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,”

The actual context is Moses and Pharaoh! This has nothing to do with what Calvin thought it was. This is completely out of context and is not in the context of the Pauline Epistles. Without verse 15-17, the passage can be placed on the New Testament times and even the Christian. Yet from these verses we see it is NOT.

Romans 9:15-24, “For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew

my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth. Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?"

Romans 9:30-33, "What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. Wherefore? Because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed."

The fact is this is a classic Calvinistic passage that when placed on everyone causes the Calvinistic LIE. In the Old Testament there was the LAW of Moses that we are NOT under as far as being IN CHRIST; or getting IN CHRIST.

This reeks of the ELECTION prior to the creation of the earth LIE. By making a statement using Romans 9:16 to say: "Salvation: it was not willed or planned by man; it will never be worked out or performed by man?" IS NOT in that passage! This has very subtle Calvinistic blurb!

Isaiah 42:1, "Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles." Who is the Lord's servant, mine elect: IN WHOM MY SOUL DELIGHETH? Who is it that God put His Spirit upon HIM? This would be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 45:4, "For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me." SO, Israel is God's elect. But there is no statement WHEN they were elected. So was it the PERSON Jacob when he was renamed Israel; or is this the nation Israel when they came out of Egypt?

Isaiah 65:9, "And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there." Again

“A SEED” out of Jacob, out of Judah: mine elect. This is a direct relationship with Israel mind elect to the Messiah that is A SEED and He came out of Jacob and Judah: The Lord Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 65:22, “They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.” So who is the “my people, and mine elect”? Reread Isaiah 45:4.

There are no other passages about “the elect” in the Old Testament. So why would anyone think that God elected PEOPLE to heaven or hell prior to the creation of the earth? Because this is what Calvin dictated in his tyrannical rampage against the true born again believers of his day.

If Israel is God’s elect how in the world did they REJECT the Lord Jesus Christ? John 1:11, “He came unto his own, and his own received him not.”

If you cannot resist God’s grace: well the elect sure did!

You cannot will to be born again any more than you can will to be physically born into this world. You do NOT have a preeminent existence. You were NOT incarnated in flesh. Only the Lord Jesus Christ was incarnated.

YOU have been given a CHOICE to receive HIM: John 1:12-13, “But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.” By that act of faith in receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour; God gives you the power to become the sons of God. You get born of God; by receiving His SON. SO, you can will to be saved after all.

Revelation 22:17, “And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.”

John 4:14, “But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.”

Salvation is already worked out and in Christ has reconciliation been provided. It is a FREE GIFT. All you have to do is Receive the Lord Jesus Christ so that He becomes YOUR propitiation. He is already God’s propitiation; and the Lord Jesus Christ holds His hand out to you with Eternal Salvation: all you have to do is receive HIM. When you get IN HIM, you get IN eternal life. When you get IN HIM you get IN the elected ONE.

Salvation is NOT in things, salvation is IN the LORD JESUS CHRIST. It is FREE for whosoever will receive Him.

1 John 5:20, “And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.”

Romans 10:3-4, “For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.”

Romans 10:9-10, “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”

This is open for EVERYONE and ANYONE as a whosoever will:

John 3:14-16, “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

We are NOT under the Old Testament LAW: Romans 9:15-18, “For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth.”

Remember: John 1:17, “For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.”

THE END!

APPENDIX



LIMITED AT ONE MEANT
GOING OVER THE CREEK
ON A LIMITED LOG!
IT MUST BE THE LOG OF
ELECTION!

TULIP DREAMS



IRRESISTIBLE GRACE

SO, WHO CARES?

“THE CALVINIST MUST
TRUST IN HIS ELECTION
BEFORE GOD MAKES HIM
BELIEVE ON CHRIST.”