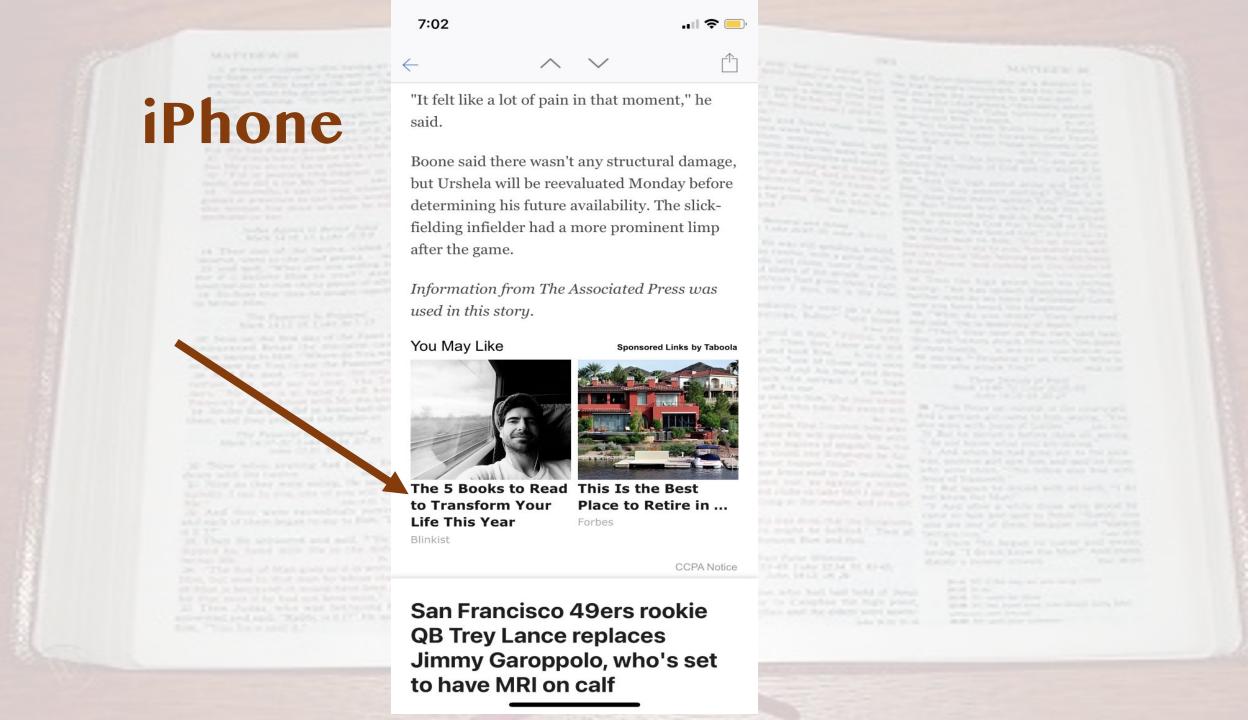
Bible Study Through ROMANS

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OUTLINE

Chaps 1-8 **FAITH BIG Problem!** 1-3 Recognize our sin **BIG Gift!** 4-5 How is one saved 6-8 Process of sanctification NOW you know! **Chaps 9-11 HOPE** Can God love us without rescinding His Holy nature? 9 Israel's history 10 Israel's current situation 11 Israel's future [Part-1 of 2 next week] **Chaps 12-16 LOVE** The *process of sanctification* in our lives. 12 Service to others 13 Respect government 14-15 One's conscience 16 Greetings/salutations



TONIGHT'S PLAN CAPITVLVM X

- Zeal for YHWH ≠ Salvation
- Jesus Christ the end-all of the Law
- -Ascend to Heaven? Descend to Sheol?
- Raboni Yitzak Kaduri on 2 Messiahs
- The Word is Near: Heart and Mouth
- Sent/Herald/Hear/Believe/Call
- O.T. Scriptures and Parable of Sower

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Romans 10:1-4

[segue] BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED."

Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for salvation.

For I testify about them that they have a **zeal for God**, but NOT in accordance with knowledge.

For not knowing about God's righteousness and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God.

For Christ is the end of the LAW for righteousness to everyone who believes.

Romans 10:1-4 commentary

Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for salvation.

ONCE AGAIN this is Paul's strongest interest
Paul testifies his Jewish brethren DO in fact HAVE a zeal for God –
but it's NOT in accordance with "true" knowledge

NOT knowing God's righteousness [THRU FAITH]

they instead seek to establish their own righteousness [THRU attempts to keep the LAW]

As such they DO NOT subject themselves to the righteousness of God

THERE IT IS AGAIN: Mine vs. Jesus FOR ME - Isaiah 64:6

HOW TO UNDERSTAND THIS? Jesus Christ is the end of the LAW

for righteousness to **EVERYONE** who believes

HOW TO UNDERSTAND THIS? Jesus Christ is the end of the LAW for righteousness to EVERYONE who believes

τέλος γὰρ νόμου Χριστὸς εἰς δικαιοσύνην παντὶ τῷ πιστεύοντι is the end FOR Law Christ for righteousness everyone who believes SO THAT [points to a very specific action]

[1st person emphatic that object is 100%

designated - Christ IS the end game/object of νόμου

[plural emphatic modifies/clarifies predecessor noun] Sounds just like

Galatians 3:24-25

The Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith but now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor

consider Galatians 3:17-29

Law came 430 years after - does not invalidate Covenant previously ratified to nullify **Promise**.

If inheritance based on Law it's no longer on **Promise** but God granted to Abraham by **Promise**. **WHY the Law?** It came because of sin!!

Came thru MEDIATOR 'til seed came to one **Promised**. Mediator never for just ONE [God is ONE] Is Law contrary to **Promise? NO!** If Law could give life, then righteousness would be by Law but Scripture binds all in inherent nature, so **Promise** by **FAITH** in Jesus to those who believe.

Before FAITH we were *locked away from* FAITH revealed later – **NOW** Law is our tutor leading us [away from our own righteousness] to FAITH to be justified. **NOW** that FAITH has come no longer need tutor - **NOW** sons and daughters by FAITH Baptized into Christ = clothed in Him

NOW no distinctions among/within mankind: slave or free Jew or Greek man or woman ALL are one in Christ Jesus – Belonging to Christ makes you Abraham's descendants

WHY/HOW? Thru the Promise - FAITH not the Law

Romans 10:5-10

For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on law shall live by that righteousness.

But the righteousness based on faith speaks as follows:

"DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?'
[that is, to bring Christ down] or
'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?'
[that is, to bring Christ up from the dead]."

But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART" that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

For with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Romans 10:5-10 commentary

Whoever practices righteousness based on LAW lives [and dies] by that righteousness

Instead it's a righteousness based on FAITH

So do not say in your heart:

'WHO WILL **ASCEND INTO HEAVEN**?' [bring Christ down]
'WHO WILL **DESCEND INTO ABYSS**?' [bring Christ up from dead]

Interesting – Ascend brings Christ down, Descend brings Christ up??!!

Deut. 9:4-6 Don't say in your heart, "Because of **our righteousness** we get Canaan"

Israel would possess Canaan <u>NOT</u> because of its righteousness,
but because YHWH dispossessed godless-pagans from that land

Deut. 30:11-14 Receiving/Believing YHWH's commands is all about putting FAITH in Jehoshua It's easy for Israel to grasp - don't ask, "Who will ascend to heaven?" to find this out from YHWH

Israel should not consider FAITH in Christ **too hard to grasp**. Don't expect new man to go **UP** to heaven to find Messiah - entirely futile to try and bring Christ down to earth when He has already come down to earth and walked among mankind

DEUTERONOMY 9:4-6

Got Canaan

due to our righteousness

DEUTERONOMY 30:11-14

Easy to grasp, don't ask "Who will ascend?"

Romans 10:5-10 commentary

'WHO WILL **ASCEND INTO HEAVEN**?' [bring Christ down] 'WHO WILL **DESCEND INTO ABYSS**?' [bring Christ up from dead]

These 2 statements DENY who Jesus is and what He has already done!

JESUS died on the cross - DESCENDED to Sheol - led captivity captive 40 days later Jesus ASCENDED to the Right Hand of the Father

Direct Allusion to **Psalm 139:8** "If I ascend to heaven, YOU are there" "If I make my bed in Sheol, YOU are there"

Romans 10:5-10 commentary

A Jewish person who keeps the Law, Levitical sacrifices for sin, believes in Jehoshua as Messiah and by FAITH receives God's righteousness — meets Law requirements *entirely* by the indwelling of God's Spirit.

A Jewish person who keeps the Law to demonstrate *his own righteousness* <u>CANNOT</u> recognize Jehoshua as "end of the Law" – this is that STUMBLING BLOCK [Rock of Offense]

Consider the rabbi's "2 Messiah" writings: Mashiach ben Joseph [suffers for the people]

Mashiach ben David [rules as King in Jerusalem]

Luke 2 Simeon + Anna V34: This *Child* is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel a sign to be opposed - a sword will pierce your own soul to the end that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed

V38: She came up and *began* giving thanks to God, and continued to speak of Him to *those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem*

Dead Sea Scrolls show most Qumran Jews were believers in Jehoshua as Mashiach

Talmud-Mishnah-Gemara-Midrash

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TALMUD Civil and Ceremonial Jewish Law - Torah Commentary

Babylonian Talmud [5th Century BC captivity]

Jerusalem Talmud [mid-4th Century BC]

1] Mishnah ["Repeated-Study" - Rabbis' oral Torah]

200 BC sayings, arguments, perspectives

2] Gemara [huge commentary on Mishnah]

legal postulations, remedies, conundrums

MIDRASH Extensive interpretations of Torah

reconcile contradictions, bases for new laws

Thanks to Eli Eisenberg, Mark Garfinkel, Larry Greenfield

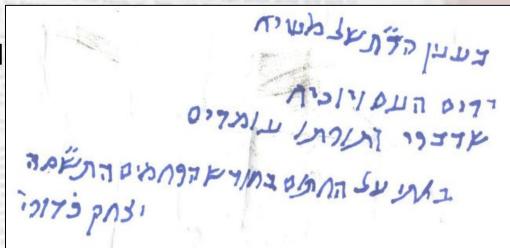
One Rabbi's Testimony

Reminder of Rabbi's "2 Messiah" writings: Mashiach ben Joseph [suffers for the people]

Mashiach ben David [rules as King in Jerusalem]



Raboni Yitzak Kaduri [1898-2006]
Feb-2006 over 200,000 at his funeral
Now FAMOUS hand-written note:
Acrostic of 1st letters = YEHOSHUA
He [Mashiach] will lift the people to
prove that his word and law are valid
Written with my signature in the
month Rachamim [Elul] 5765 - Yitshak Kaduri



Afterward his followers maintained his website posting Kaduri's 18 facets of Mashiach noting: The 2 Mashiachs - ben Joseph and ben David - ARE THE SAME PERSON.

Isaiah 11:2 The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and fear of the LORD.

Romans 10:5-10 commentary

Deut. 30:11-14 "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"

Word of **faith** we preach: **Confess with mouth** "Jesus Lord" + Believe in heart

God raised Him from dead = you will be saved!!

With the HEART - person **believes** [Result = righteousness] *Deep inside you KNOW*With the MOUTH - person **confesses** [Result = salvation] *Outward declaration of that*

THAT generation set to go into Canaan was exhorted by Moses – the Word is near, right now it's in your mouth and in your heart – Obey It!! Did not need to be brought down from heaven [Deut. 30:12] Don't have to cross sea to obtain it [Deut. 30:13] It's RIGHT here!

NO need to Ascend to Heaven NO need to Descend to Sheol

The VERY Word you need is already in your heart and mouth
So it's quite simple: BELIEVE in heart + CONFESS with mouth

HEART = Belief MOUTH = Confession

Romans 10:11-17

For the Scripture says, "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same *Lord* is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him; for "WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED."

How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? and How will they hear without a preacher? How will they preach unless they are sent?

Just as it is written,

"HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS OF GOOD THINGS!"

However, they did not all heed the good news; for Isaiah says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?"

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

ISAIAH 28:16

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God lays in Zion a cornerstone not disappointed JOEL 2:32

Whoever calls
Name of Lord
will be saved

Romans 10:11-17 commentary

Paul then quotes directly the prophets Isaiah and Joel

Isaiah 28:16 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone a tested stone, a costly cornerstone for the foundation firmly placed and "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED"

FAITH removes any/all personal distinctions among mankind - ALL have equal access **NO distinction** Jew or Greek - **Same is Lord of ALL** - Abounding riches for ALL who call

Joel 2:32 It will come about that <u>"WHOEVER WILL CALL"</u> ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED - On Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be those who escape as the LORD has said, Even among the survivors whom the LORD calls WILL BE SAVED."

How will they CALL
How will they BELIEVE
How will they HEAR
How will they HERALD

on Him in whom they have not believed? in Him whom they have not heard? without "one who heralds/announces"? unless they are Sent [STARTS HERE]

Romans 10:11-17 commentary

Isaiah 52:7 How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him who brings GOOD NEWS [GOSPEL] who announces peace and brings GOOD NEWS [GOSPEL] of happiness, who announces salvation and says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Originally for Judah to declare Babylonian captivity is ended
Paul uses it as commentary on His countrymen of that present time

However, NOT ALL heed this "GOSPEL" - Isaiah: "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?"

Parable of sower – 4 Receptions [Matthew 13:3-9]

- 1. pathway immediately taken by birds [enemy]
- 2. rocky ground no room for deep roots to withstand hot sun
- 3. thorny ground grew alongside and choked them out
- 4. *good soil* strong growth harvest [100x 60x 30x]

So FAITH comes from **hearing** [2nd stage after HERALDED] and **hearing** by the word of Christ

Contexts of Paul's Position

Psalm 69:9 Zeal for Your house consumes me, reproaches of who reproach You falls to me

Hosea 11:1 Out of Egypt I have called my Son [same as Israel's Exodus]

Jeremiah 31:15 A voice heard in Ramah, lamenting, bitter weeping, Rachel refused comfort

Rachel died in childbirth "Ben-Oni" [son of my sorrow]

Yakob renames him "Ben-Jamin" [son of my right hand]

Rachel buried on the way to Ephrathah [Bethlehem]

Isaiah 53 Man of sorrow - very familiar with grief/anguish

Psalm 2:7 My Son whom I've begotten [who sits on the Father's "right hand"]

Isaiah 26:19 Your dead will live, corpses will rise, those returned to dust awake, shout for JOY

20 Come my people [Israel] enter into your chambers, close doors behind you and hide a little while until indignation runs its course [protection during tribulation]

21 Lord comes out of **His chamber** to punish inhabitants of earth for their iniquities

ISRAEL IN EACH O.T. CONTEXT related to **N.T. MASHIACH** and **END TIMES**

Romans 10:18-21

But I say, SURELY they HAVE never heard, have they?

Indeed they have;

"THEIR VOICE HAS GONE OUT INTO ALL THE EARTH, AND THEIR WORDS TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD."

But I say, surely Israel did not know, did they? - First Moses says,

"I WILL MAKE YOU JEALOUS BY THAT WHICH IS NOT A NATION, BY A NATION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING WILL I ANGER YOU."

And Isaiah is very bold and says,

"I WAS FOUND BY THOSE WHO DID NOT SEEK ME,
I BECAME MANIFEST TO THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK FOR ME."

But as for Israel He says,

"ALL THE DAY LONG I HAVE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS TO A DISOBEDIENT AND OBSTINATE PEOPLE."

Romans 10:18-21 commentary

SURELY they never heard?

Remember sequence: SENT-HERALD-HEAR

Indeed they HAVE heard

"THEIR VOICE HAS GONE OUT TO ALL EARTH, THEIR WORDS TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD"

Psalm 19:4 like Romans 1:18-20 [General-Revelation]

Psalm 19:7-11 [Special Revelation: Law Testimony Precepts Commands]

Gold, Honeycomb - Keep them = GREAT REWARD

SURELY Israel did not know, did they?

Moses [Deut. 32:21]

"I WILL MAKE **YOU JEALOUS** BY THAT WHICH IS **NOT A NATION**,
BY A **NATION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING** WILL I ANGER YOU."

[Isaiah 65:1] very bold

"I WAS **FOUND** BY **THOSE WHO DID NOT SEEK** ME,
I BECAME **MANIFEST** TO **THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK** FOR ME."

For Israel [Isaiah 65:2]

"ALL THE DAY LONG *I HAVE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS*TO A DISOBEDIENT AND OBSTINATE PEOPLE."

Romans 10 conclusion

Israel: THE WORD HAS ALWAYS BEEN HERE AMONG YOU/WITH YOU IN YOUR HEART AND IN YOUR MOUTH

You pursued your own righteousness in the Law of Moses and MISSED the plain truth before you all these centuries

Paul says:

- The LAW came to reveal/expose sin
- No one able to KEEP the Law to righteousness
- YHWH's Salvation gone out to the entire world
- NO distinctions between WHO can be saved
- Only have to BELIEVE!

Next Monday October 11th

ROMANS CAPITVLVM XI

Paul Reviews God's Still-Future Care and Plan for His People Israel