

ROMANS 15: 8-14 – GLORYIFYING & PRAISING GOD, “ABLE ALSO TO ADMONISH”!

OBSERVATION

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“to be like minded (unity)!just as Christ also received us...” (Rom. 15: 5, 7)

Rom 15:8 Now I say that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made to the fathers. So now I speak that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the Jews for the truth of God, for confirmation of the promises made to our forefathers.

Rom 15:9 and that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy, as it is written: “For this reason I will confess (praise) to You among the Gentiles, and sing to Your name.”¹ Also that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy to Israel, as was foretold in 2 Samuel 22:50/Psalm 18:49

Rom 15:10 And again he says: “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with His people!” And again in Deut. 32:43 – Rejoice Gentile, with the Jews!!

Rom 15:11 And again: “Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!” And again in Psalm 117:1 – Rejoice Gentile, with the Jews!! Give Him honor all you people!

INTERPRETATION

For I tell you that Jesus Christ, our Messiah, has become a servant or minister to the Jews for the truth of God, to show His truth and honesty and to confirm and to verify the promises given to our fathers. Jesus was born a Jew. As a child, He was circumcised and identified physically with the sign of the covenant. **Gen. 17:11-14; Mt. 10:6, 15:24; Lk. 2:21; John 1:11-12; Gal.4:4-5**

In addition that the Gentiles might give God all the glory for His mercy, which has been so richly demonstrated to Israel. As was stated in the prophets and in the Psalms – “For this reason I will confess to You among the Gentiles, and sing to Your name.”¹ Christ is praising God through the Gentiles, which implies their conversion. **Rom. 11:28-32; Ps. 18:46-50;**

Again we are told, this time in the Law – Deuteronomy - “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with His people!” Rejoice all you people, both Gentiles and Jews. Gentiles, through His mercy, join with the Jews, through His covenant!! Here the Gentiles are invited to join Israel in praise to God. **Dt. 32:43; Ps. 119:162**

Continuing, here the Psalmist agrees, “Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud (let the people praise) Him, all you peoples!” All people, Gentiles and Jews are to praise the LORD! Quoted from the shortest Psalm, is an invitation to the Gentiles to join Israel in praise to God. **Ps. 117:1; 119:7, 164, 171, 175**

APPLICATION

That we should believe and know that Jesus Christ came to earth as a minister to the circumcision (the Jews) to fulfill , to settle prophecy by confirming the promises made to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the prophets!

May we praise the Lord, whether Gentile or Jew. As the Jews were to glorify God for His truth, so the Gentiles were to glorify God for His mercy to the Jews, also as promised or prophesied, so should we!

May we proclaim His love to all people! Indeed, Jesus came to seek and to save those who are lost - both Jews and Gentiles!!

We want to join Israel in praising our LORD!! - All Gentile and all Israel! He never gave up on them and He will never give up on you!

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Rom 15:12 And again, Isaiah says: “There shall be a root of Jesse; And He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, In Him the Gentiles shall hope.” And again in Isaiah 11: vs. 1 & 10 – We were told here of the coming Messiah, out of David’s father, of the tribe of Judah – a Jew, and He shall reign over the Gentiles and in Him they shall hope!!

Rom 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore praying that Jesus Christ, the God of hope, may fill all, Jew & Gentile, with joy and peace in believing, resulting the abounding in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

“to be like minded!able also to admonish one another...” (Rom 15:5, 14)

Rom 15:14 Now I myself am confident concerning you, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish (put in mind, to warn) **one another.** I am confident that you fellow believers in Rome are also full of goodness and knowledgeable and able to admonish one another.

In general, how like-minded are believing Jew and Gentiles today?

Whose mercy is referred to in verse 9?

Do you praise God for being merciful to the Jews every time you worship?

How does verse 10 relate to Replacement Theology?

Re v. 13, what is the source of joy and peace?

How would you define “hope”? Worldly, Christian?

Does the Bible have much to say about admonishing one another?

INTERPRETATION

Here the prophet Isaiah is prophesying, that the Messiah, shall come from of David (his father, Jesse). He shall rise to reign over the Gentiles. And in Him, lies the hope of the Gentiles! **Isa. 11:1, 10; Eph2: 14-23; 1 Pet. 1:3-9; Rev. 5:5; 22:16**

Now we have a prayer—may the Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ, the God of hope, fill us with all joy and peace? That in believing we may abound (overflow) in this hope, the Living Hope, by and through the power of the Holy Spirit. When we come to God in prayer, we must enlarge our desires. We are not limited in Him, so why should we limit ourselves? Ask for all joy! Open your mouth wide and He will fill it! **Ps. 119:49; Eph. 1:13-14; Rom. 5:1-2;**

Here the Spirit, writing through Paul, indicates confidence concerning the believers in Rome that they are as well, are full of goodness, filled with all and necessary Spiritual knowledge, and thus are also able to counsel and warn one another. **“admonish”:**
Acts 20:31-emotional;
1 Cor. 4:14-16-parental;
1 Cor. 10:11-historical;
Col. 1:28 – spiritual;
Col. 3:16 – Biblical;
1 Thess. 5:14, 2 Thess. 3:15; Titus 3:10 – in confrontation

APPLICATION

As believers, we should be well aware of the vast number of prophecies that were fulfilled at Jesus’ birth, death and resurrection! He is our living hope. This is the message we need to pass on to everyone.

May the God of hope — Our father is the source, but keeping our eyes on the Messiah, --fill you with all joy and peace in believing and that you may abound in hope by and through the power of Holy Spirit. This is what the Book of Romans is all about—giving you joy and peace and that it has built up, strengthened your faith, resulting in hope eternally through the Holy Spirit.

May we as believers recognize our responsibility to encourage and strengthen (admonish – to put in mind, to instruct, to warn) other believers with God’s Word and that we are divinely equipped to do so.