

The Heart of the Matter

12. How has God demonstrated His mercy to you over the years?

13. In light of God's sovereign choice in all things, how thankful are you for your salvation?

14. Since we don't know who God has chosen what should be our commitment and response to those who haven't heard the Gospel or who have not believed on Jesus yet?

15. When God sovereignly allows difficult things take place in our lives we often ask, "Lord, why are these things happening to me?" Why would it be better for us to ask God to show us what we need to learn through our circumstances?

Praises and Prayer Requests:



Life Group Study Guide

The Grace of His Mercy - Part 2 Romans 9:1-24 For the Week of August 30, 2020

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. Do you have artistic capabilities? What is your favorite form of art to experience or participate in? Music? Pottery? Painting? Drama? Dance?
3. As you were growing up as a kid, in what way did someone demonstrate mercy toward you in a real and significant way?

Digging Deeper

4. In verse 11-13 the Apostle Paul describes God's sovereign choice between Jacob and Esau. Someone might say that this doesn't seem fair. But what would be just and fair for each of us to receive from God? (Romans 3:9-20, 23; 6:23)

5. What does Paul clearly communicate about God's sovereign choice in verses 14-15?

6. In verse 16-18, how is the example of how God dealt with Pharaoh in the past so appropriate for this discussion?

7. From Exodus 14:1-18, what does God have to do to someone to harden their heart? (Proverbs 1:22-33; Isaiah 65:1-2)

8. How does Paul bring resolution to this discussion on God's sovereign choice in verses 19-20?

9. How does Paul use the skill of the potter to demonstrate God's sovereign work in our lives in verses 20-21?

10. In light of this passage, especially verses 22-23, what can you conclude about God's mercy?

11. In light of this study it seems clear that some will receive God's mercy while others will receive God's justice. Does anyone receive injustice?