

# **LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE ROMANS**

## **Chapters 7-10**

Read Romans 7:4-6 What does St. Paul mean by “living in the flesh?” (Note 7:5)

What is meant by “held us captive?” (Note 7:6)

Read 7:7-25 According to St. Augustine, why was the Law given? (Note 7:7-25)

Read 7:7 Does the Torah only censure outward acts? What does the word covet mean? (Note 7:7)

Read 7:23-24 “What is meant by “the law of sin?” (Note 7:23)

Read 8:1-2 How many times does St. Paul mention the Spirit in this chapter? Is the Spirit a necessary part of the New Covenant? (Note 8:2)

Read 8:9 What is meant by the “Spirit of God” and the “Spirit of Christ”? (Note 8:9)

Read 8:14-25 How does St. Paul’s discussion of sonship and suffering relate to the Exodus story? (Note 18:14-25)

Is suffering part of God’s plan? Why? (Note 8:18-25)

Read 8:28-30 Is anyone predestined to eternal damnation? (Note 8:29)

Read 8:31-32 What is the relationship of the Father’s surrender of Christ and Abraham’s sacrifice? What is the relationship of Mt. Moriah and the City of Jerusalem? (Note 8:32)

Read 8:37-39 Is our eternal salvation assured? (Note 8:39)

How does the middle section of Romans (Chapters 9-11) contrast with the first 8 chapters? (Note 9:1-11:36)

Read 9:1-5 What are some of God's covenant blessings bestowed on the people of Israel? (Note 9:4-5)

Read 9:6 What is the difference between elect Israel and ethnic Israel? (Note 9:6)

Read 9:7-13 What are some examples of divine selection and exclusion in the Old Testament before the founding of Israel as a nation? (Note 9:7-13)

What is meant by "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."? (Note 9:13)

Read 9:25-29 Who are the vessels of mercy? (Note 9:25-29)

Read 9:30-32 How should one pursue righteousness? (Note 9:32)

Read 9:33 What is a stumbling stone? (Note 9:33)

Read 10:1-4 What is the difference between the righteousness that comes from the Mosaic Law and that which comes from the Messiah? (Note 10:3)

Read 10:5-8 Can Israel escape responsibility from obeying the word of the gospel? (Note 10:6-8)

Read 10:9-13 Are all nations saved? (Note 10:12) (Note 10:13)

Read 10:14-17 How can the world call upon its Savior? (Note 10:14-17)

Read 10:18-21 What is meant by “a foolish nation”? (Note 10:19)

Is unbelieving Israel guilty of willful defiance of the Gospel? (Note 10:20-21)