

GOD'S SOVEREIGN CHOICE
Masterclass for Life #3
June 28, 2026
Romans 9

BIG IDEA: GOD HAS CHOSEN TO ADOPT AS HIS CHILDREN THOSE WHO _____ IN _____.

- 1. The heart of God _____ for unbelievers. (v. 1-5)**

- 2. True children of God are determined by _____
_____ not ethnicity or religious heritage (v. 6-21)**
 - God has chosen to adopt as His children those who trust in Christ, the child of _____.
 - God's choice is based on His _____ not a person's character or works.
 - Only God determines the _____ of His mercy.
 - God has the right to do _____ He chooses with who and what He created.

- 3. God exercises His sovereign choice within a _____
framework. (v. 22-26)**
 - God is perfectly just and must punish sin (Ex. 34:7b)
 - All people are sinners by nature and by choice. (Rom. 3:23)
 - All people are "*vessels of wrath prepared for destruction*". (Rom. 6:23)
 - God loves sinners. (Rom. 5:8)
 - He chooses to show patience toward people who deserve punishment. (2 Peter 3:9)
 - His purpose in showing patience is to lead people to repentance and faith in Christ. (Rom. 2:4)
 - He offers saving grace anyone who repents and believes in Christ. (John 3:16-17)

DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Read Ephesians 1:1-14. In His sovereignty God chose believers in Christ before the foundation of the world and predestined them for adoption as children through Jesus. Did God choose in advance who would believe and who would not believe or did God choose in advance that people must believe to be saved? If God chooses who believes, do they have a choice?

Tuesday: Read Acts 16:31 and Romans 10:9. God clearly commands us to believe in Jesus, and He promises salvation if we do. Would God command people to believe who cannot do so? How does God help sinners believe while still giving them the choice not to believe? Read John 6:44; 16:8-11. God the Father draws people to Jesus and the Holy Spirit convicts them of sin, righteousness and judgment, but many who hear the gospel choose not to believe.

Wednesday: Read 2 Peter 3:8-10. God is patient with sinners because He doesn't want ANY of them to perish at the judgment. Rather He wants them to repent and trust Christ. If God wants all to be saved, why do any people end up in hell unless it is because of their stubborn unwillingness to trust Christ. (Matthew 23:37-39)

Thursday: Read John 3:16-17; Romans 5:8; 10:13. Who does God love? What did He do for them? What must they do to have eternal life? God has chosen only one way for salvation. In His love He offers salvation to "the world" to "sinners" to "everyone" who believes in Jesus. His sovereignty is exercised within His justice, love and grace. All will face His justice. He loves all and offers all salvation, but not all will say "yes".

Friday: Read Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:46-49; John 20:21; Acts 1:8. Jesus clearly commanded His followers to share the gospel with the whole world. He loves and wants the whole world to know about the gospel. It is our privilege and responsibility to be His missionaries where we live, work and play and wherever He sends us. Only God can save anyone, but He has chosen us to go tell everyone!