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**WHAT IS TRUE
GOSPEL**

Romans 12-16

**WHAT TO DO
RESPONSE**

1-3:20

WRATH

for all
because all
have sinned

3:21-5

SALVATION

for any
through faith
in Jesus

6-8

CHANGE

brought by
the Gospel
and Holy
Spirit

9-11

ASSURANCE

based on
God's gracious
character
throughout
history

Isa 55:8-9 ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

God is glorified in salvation through His unexpected mercy... to the Gentiles and the Jews.

I. UNEXPECTED MERCY (vv. 25-32)

God has never shifted from his sovereign plan to glorify himself in saving sinners.

The mystery revealed in this passage is the sequence of God's mercy.

Insight into God's mystery of salvation

To the Jews first (Rom. 1:16, Acts 1-7)



Jews hardened (Rom. 9, 11:25a; Acts 13:46)



Fullness of Gentiles (Rom. 11:25b, Acts 8-28, Rev. 7:9)



Full salvation of Jews (Rom. 11:26)

God's unexpected mercy:

- Uproots our ignorant pride
- Grants confidence and motivation in the Great Commission
- Assures us of God's faithfulness

II. UNLIMITED PRAISE (vv. 33-36)

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴ “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”

God possesses infinite knowledge – He’s omniscient.

³⁵ “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?”

God owns everything – He’s all-sufficient.

- There is no true worship without truth.
- The study of truth leads to worship.

³⁶ For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

God is glorified in all things.

God is the source of all things.

God is the means of all things.

God is the goal of all things.

God is worthy of unlimited praise!