

## Unashamed: God's Mercy Reigns

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### Romans Road –

- Romans 3:10 – There is no one righteous, not even one.
- Romans 3:23 – For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- Romans 5:8 – But God demonstrated His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners Christ died for us.
- Romans 6:23 – For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Romans 8:1 – Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
- Romans 10:9 – That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.
- Romans 10:13 – Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

### What is Romans 11 Saying?

- Though Israel has rejected God, He is still merciful toward His people.
- As in the days of Elijah, there is always a faithful remnant.
- Those who have refused Him, God has given over to their own sinful ways.
- Because of Israel's unfaithfulness, the promise of God is extended to the world.
- An example of a tree, its roots, branches and those grafted in.
- Be careful you grafted-in branches; if the real branches can be cut off, so can you.
- In spite of their rebellion, God will have mercy on Israel and take away their sins.

### Matthew 22 – The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

- A king prepared a wedding banquet for his son with a specific guest list.
- When told the banquet was ready, the invited guests refused to come.
- Those invited killed the servants who were sent to inform them the banquet was ready.
- In his anger, the King sent his army to destroy the resistant guests and their city.
- In the place of the original invitees, the king invited anyone and everyone to come in.
- The only stipulation for attendance was to accept the wedding clothes of the king.

### Some Questions to Ask Ourselves

- What good reason is there to refuse the King's invitation?
- What could possibly be more important or more satisfying than sitting at the King's table?
- How can we think we will get away with opposing the King?
- What is so desirable that we would be willing to suffer the King's wrath to experience?
- Is it not much better to simply accept the invitation of the King?

*"Oh, the depths of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out!  
Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been His counselor?  
Who has ever given to God that God should repay him?  
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen"*

*"I am not ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God for salvation of everyone who believes."*  
Romans 1:16