

Introduction

- I. Romans 9 teaches the truth of election in the covenant.
- II. In the text, Paul addresses another objection against God's justice.

Election in the Covenant

(4)The Potter's Power

- I. **The Striking Figure** of the passage is the potter and the clay.
 - A. The idea is that there is a potter sitting at the potter's wheel with a lump of clay and from this lump of clay he makes two different kinds of vessels or pots. Jeremiah 18:1-8; Is. 64:8.

 - B. Let us see this sovereign work of God as explained in this figure - God forms all the vessels and it is His right to do this.

II. **The Answered Objection**

- A. Paul teaches this truth of God's sovereign right as the Potter to answer the objection found in vs. 19: "Why does He yet find fault?"

- B. Paul answers the objection by putting all of us in our place before God.

III. **The Lessons Learned**

- A. God gives us this word to teach us humility. Canons 1.13

- B. Only when we are humbled will we praise and thank Him like we should. Canons 1.13 and Romans 11:33-36.