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- <sup>32</sup> For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.
- <sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable his judgments,  
and his paths beyond tracing out!
- <sup>34</sup> “Who has known the mind of the Lord?  
Or who has been his counselor?”
- <sup>35</sup> “Who has ever given to God,  
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- Loren G. Martin, professor of physiology at Oklahoma State University quoted in *Scientific Americana*

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