

***The Lord Will Not
Cast Off His People***

Romans 11



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Paul's conviction God
has not rejected the Jews

*Why is it
important to us?*

**God's Sovereign
Gracious Election**

***God is Faithful in
His Promise to Save
His People and Us***

**God's Salvation Plan
for the World in His-tory**
Hope of Salvation for Everyone



**The Lord is
Our Salvation**

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God's Rejection of Israel is:

- V1-11a Partial and Temporary
- V11b-16 Purposeful
- V25-32 All Israel Will Be Saved

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It is Partial

*I ask then: Did God reject his people?
By no means! I am an Israelite myself,
a descendant of Abraham,
from the tribe of Benjamin.*

I am the Living Proof!

*If I can be saved,
so too can others!*

**I am the most hardened,
hostile, violent Jew.**



**God never goes back
on His promise**

***² God did not reject his
people, whom he foreknew.***

***To the people
He foreknew,
foreloved, He chose.***

Psalm 94:14

***The Lord will not cast
off His people.***



Elijah's Story **1 Kings 19:10, 18.**

Don't you know what Scripture says in the passage about Elijah—how he appealed to God against Israel: ³ “Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me”? ⁴ And what was God's answer to him? “I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal.”

God Kept a Remnant



For the Gentiles too!

⁵ So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace.

⁶ And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.

**God held both the
Jews and Gentiles
to himself by His grace**



It is Temporary and for a Purpose

¹¹ Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious.

**Their trespasses led to
salvation of Gentile to
provoke envy of the Jews**



A Chain of Blessing Follows

¹² But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their full inclusion bring!

Their rejection brought blessing to the Gentiles and the world

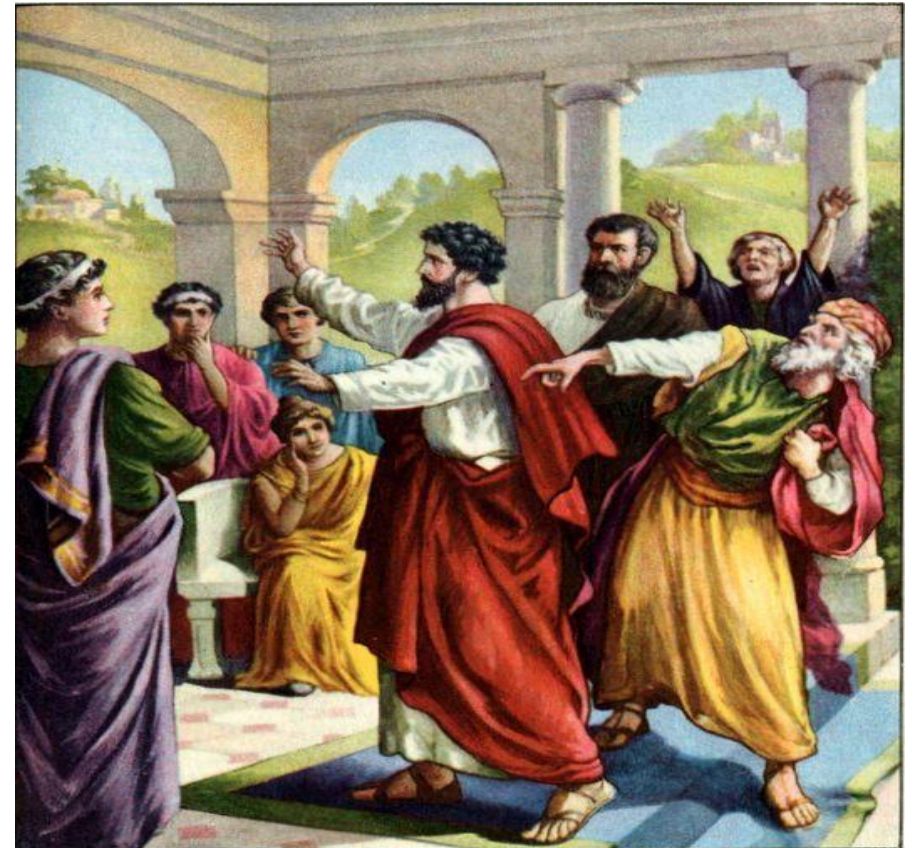


Paul's Ministry to the Gentiles

¹³ I am talking to you Gentiles. In as much as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I take pride in my ministry ¹⁴ in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them.

Arouses Envy of the Jews

(Acts 13:46; 14:1; 18:6; 19:8; 28:28)



**Acceptance of gospel
by the Jews will bring
even greater blessing**

¹⁵ For if their rejection brought reconciliation to the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

Two illustrations

¹⁶ If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches.



Grafting Olive Tree

17 If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root,

Broken branches = Unbelief Jews

Wild olive shoot is

Gentiles Believers grafted in



The Jews will Return

23 And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again

...how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree!

If the wild can be grafted in, so can the natural!



Paul spoke to both Jews and Gentiles Christians

²⁵ I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, ²⁶ and in this way all Israel will be saved.

A Mystery:
*God's Master Salvation
Plan Revealed*



**All Israel
Will Be Saved**

**When all the Gentiles
have come in**

**His Mercy to Save
Both Jews and Gentiles**

*God's Rejection is never total
in the past, fatal in the present,
but with hope for the future.*



Paul Breaks Out in High Praise

***33 Oh, the depth of the riches of
the wisdom and knowledge of God!***

***The riches of His wisdom
and knowledge are
far too deep for our grasp***

His Sovereign Gracious Election



**Who can explain
what He does?**

***How unsearchable his
judgments, and his paths
beyond tracing out!***

His Unsearchable Judgments
(what He thinks & decides)
and Paths
(What He does & goes)



**Who can understand His
mind or be His counsel?**

**His Unfathomable Revelation
(Isaiah 40:13)**

*34 “Who has known the mind of the
Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”*

Who can do enough for Him?

**His Unreturnable Gifts
(Job 41:11)**

*35 “Who has ever given to God,
that God should repay them?”*



**All things
past, present, and future
are all for His glory**

*³⁶ For from him and through him
and for him are all things.
To him be the glory forever! Amen.*

The Lord is Our Salvation

Bless the Lord, O My Soul