

**Series "How Great A Salvation"  
"The Faithful Minority"  
Romans 11:1-10  
Study-29**

**Our passage reveals that God who chooses Israel will not let Israel go. God's great love and grace is continually extended to Israel who has rejected God's offer.**

**Romans 11:1 God has not rejected His people, has He?**

**(Partial Rejection Not Total Rejection, Partial Is Not Final But Temporary)**

**Romans 9** Israel's Past Election - God's Sovereignty

**Romans 10** Israel's Present Rejection - Human Responsibility

**Romans 11** Israel's Future Reception - God's Intervention

**Romans 11:1-10 Believing Remnant:**

**Romans 11:11-24 Temporary Rejection:**

**Romans 11:25-32 Future Salvation:**

**Romans 11:33-36 Theology Leads To Worship:**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "Paul Is An Example Of Man-Made Righteousness To Which God Transformed Him By Grace Into God's Righteousness"

**1. Verse - 1 Paul's Example:**

**2. Verses - 2-6 Believing Minority:**

**3. Verses - 7-10 Blinded Majority:**

**1. Verse - 1 Paul's Example:**

**Romans 11:1 I say then, Context:** Paul left off with saying the Gentiles who were not seeking God, found God. Israel was disobedient to God's repeated offers. **Romans 10:20-21** Isaiah, Psalms, and Moses all record that Israel heard the message of God. They not only heard the message, they understood.

**God has not rejected His people, has He?** In light of Israel's persistent rejection of God's offers, and the truth that the Gentiles have come to God and have been accepted, is God done with Israel?

**May it never be!** Or "*to repel, repudiate, or God forbid!*" There are folks in the church that think Jesus has rejected Israel. They call it "Replaced"

**Romans 11:26 and so all Israel will be saved;**

**Zechariah 12:10; 1 Samuel 12:22**

**Jeremiah 31:35-36 God's "irrevocable" nature of Israel's calling as a nation!**

**Paul Is Personal Proof That God Has Not Rejected His People: For I too am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. Romans 11:11-29**

**Paul is saying - "How can it be suggested that God has rejected His people, I am an Israelite!" Israel will be saved the same way Paul was Acts 9:1-9**

**Paul's Example: God is not finished. We need to keep praying.**

## **2. Verses – 2-6 Believing Minority:**

**Romans 11:2 God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. Psalm 94:14**

**Theological Proof That God Has Not Rejected His People: Or do you not know what the Scripture says in the passage**

**about Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel?** The time of Elijah was very similar to Paul's time. Israel had rejected God. Ahab and Jezebel opposed Elijah.

**Romans 11:3 I Kings 19:1-21**

**Romans 11:4** Elijah then traveled to Horeb (Mt. Sinai) 260 miles.

**Romans 11:5 same way then, there has also come to be at the present time a remnant – "that which is left, a remnant of faith, ones of faith to God"**

**according to God's gracious choice - Don't deserve it. God is gracious.**

There has always been a remnant: **Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Simon, Anna**

**Romans 11:6 But if it is by grace, "unmerited favor, God's riches at Christ's expense"**

**it is no longer on the basis of works, Grace is apart from works. otherwise grace is no longer grace. Ephesians 2:8-9**

### **3. Verses - 7-10 Blinded Majority:**

**Romans 11:7 What then?** What about those that are not of the remnant? Those that are of the majority.

**What Israel is seeking, "keep on seeking" it has not obtained it,** Israel rejected God's plan of salvation of grace through faith .... **Romans 9:30**

**Romans 10:2-3**

**"God gave His law to restrain sin, not to reform sinners; the penalties He imposed were for the purpose of upholding His law, not improving the offenders."**

**but those who were chosen obtained it,** those who are willing to receive God's offer of salvation by grace through faith, **(Chosen, Elect)** **We must admit the problem (We are Sinners) or there can be no cure! (Salvation)**

**and the rest were hardened** – *"have become callous, to cover with a thick skin" callous in fractures of broken bones - calcifying condition – arthritis. Spiritual sense the making of the heart dull" God's divine judgment upon unbelief. Judicially hardened because Israel persisted in their pattern of works and disobedience. (Pharaoh was hardened)*

**Romans 9:18**

**"God's Righteous Anger Is Revealed Against Those Who Suppress The Truth And To Those Who Pervert The Truth"**

**Matthew 13:12-15**

**Romans 11:8 just as it is written,** Paul refers to the very Scriptures that Israel holds so dear

Moses, 1500 years in the past, speaks of God's judgment

**Deuteronomy 29:4**

**Isaiah 6:9-10**

**"GOD GAVE THEM** - Paul in the beginning of his letter spoke of God's judgment upon those that would suppress the truth and then pervert the truth **Romans 1:23, 26, 31**

**SPIRIT OF STUPOR** – *"stinging numbness that is the result of a sting, insensibility, apathy, daze, lethargy"*

**Matthew 27:25 "His blood shall be on us and on our children!"**

## **Romans 11:9**

**Psalm 69:22-23** - Messianic passage, about the righteous being persecuted.

**table** - *type of security, well-being, blessing - Covenants, law, heritage.*  
Should have led Israel to Jesus Christ.

**SNARE AND A TRAP** – unbelief became "*a net to catch birds*" capture them.

**AND A STUMBLING BLOCK** a stepping stone that becomes a stumbling stone.

**AND A RETRIBUTION TO THEM.** Payback, reckoning

**Romans 11:10** "**LET THEIR EYES BE DARKENED TO SEE NOT**  
Judgment to those that were not willing to see the truth, is to be given over to the darkness of deception.

**AND BEND THEIR BACKS FOREVER."** Weight of guilt, and sin that weighs on the sinner as his own punishment. **Romans 7:24**

### **Application:**

1. Paul Is The Example That God Has Not Rejected Israel. Paul Is An Encouraging Example Of Someone Far From God, Who Was Brought To God:
2. Scripture Gives Proof That God Has Not Rejected Israel. God Will Always Have A Minority Of People That Will Believe:
3. Those That Continually Refuse God's Offer Of Salvation Will Be Hardened. The Judicial Punishment For Failure To Use God-Given Faculties To Perceive His Revealed Power And To Glorify Him: