

THAT HE MAY HAVE MERCY ON ALL

Romans 11:1-36
Key Verse: 11:32

Lesson 11

* GOD'S REMNANT (1-6)

1. In what respect is Paul's situation similar to that of Elijah? What did he learn from Elijah about God? What can we learn here?
2. How can Paul say with confidence that God has not rejected Israel, but is accomplishing his redemptive purpose through Israel? What can we learn here about God's ways of working?
3. On what basis is the remnant saved? How is this consistent with Paul's teaching in Romans to this point? Can the Jews be saved on any other basis?

* GOD'S PURPOSE IN THE HARDENING OF ISRAEL (7-32)

4. How does the Scripture show that God's hardening of Israel is a result of Israel's rejection of his love (Dt 29:2-6) and the rejection of his man? (Ps 69:16-23) (Ro 11:7-10)

(In verses 11-32 there are 2 questions raised by Israel's rejection of God's Messiah and God's redemptive history, did Israel stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? 2nd, how did God use Israel's fall to accomplish his redemptive purpose? Paul's answers to these questions gives us deep insight into the mind and heart of God.)

5. How did Israel's failure result in riches for the Gentiles? How does Paul regard his own ministry? (11-15) What does this teach us about God?

* THE OLIVE TREE PARABLE (16-24)

6. To whom does Paul address this lesson in history? What does the parable of the olive tree teach about God's purpose to redeem the Gentile world?
7. What do the branches represent? The wild olive shoot? What is the tree? The root?
8. Why were the branches of Israel broken off? (20) Is their fate sealed? Why is there no fatalism with God? What does Paul want us Gentile believers to learn from this parable? (11-24)

* THE DELIVERER FROM ZION (25-36)

9. What is God's good purpose for Israel and for all people? Who is the Deliverer from Zion of whom Isaiah and Paul speak? How does this fit into God's way of salvation already explained in Romans?
10. Why does God not give up on Israel? Why did God bind the Jews over to disobedience? What do verses 25-32 teach about God's mercy? His way of

salvation?

11. What is Paul's attitude toward God's sovereign ways of working? What can we learn here?
12. What can we learn from Chapters 9,10,11 about God's unchanging purpose and main point in exercising his sovereign power?