



NOT ASHAMED

THE GOSPEL OF JESUS IN THE BOOK OF ROMANS

ROMANS 11:11-24

¹¹ So I ask, did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather, through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous. ¹² Now if their trespass means riches for the world, and if their failure means riches for the Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean!

¹³ Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴ in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵ For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? ¹⁶ If the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, so is the whole lump, and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

¹⁷ But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, ¹⁸ do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you. ¹⁹ Then you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." ²⁰ That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear. ²¹ For if God did not spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you. ²² Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off. ²³ And even they, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. ²⁴ For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree. (Romans 11:11-24)

Introduction

- Romans 9-10-11 is a section that focuses on _____. The overarching question on Paul's mind was, "Why were most Jews rejecting Jesus, while many Gentiles were accepting Jesus?"
- Paul's question about God "_____ " Israel in Romans 11:1 is followed by his question about Israel "_____ " in Romans 11:11. Both questions are answered with the emphatic, "By no means!"

What did Paul want the Gentiles (Romans 11:13) to understand about redemptive history?

- In the providence of God, Israel's _____ of Jesus resulted in the _____ of Gentiles (Romans 11:11-15).
- In the providence of God, God has _____ the Jewish "branches" from his "olive tree," and God has _____ the Gentile "branches" onto his "olive tree" (Romans 11:17-22).

Four "Stages" of Israel's Relationship to the Gospel

- One, Israel was partially hardened and most of the Jews _____ Jesus.
- Two, God _____ brought salvation to the Gentiles who were not seeking God.
- Three, Israel will be made _____ by the spiritual blessings bestowed on the Gentiles.
- Four, there will be a time in the future when _____ Jews turn to Jesus in faith.

Application

- There is only _____ "people of God," and it consists of both Jews and Gentiles who _____ in Jesus (Romans 1:16-17, 11:16).
- Regardless of our ethnicity, the people of God must be on guard against the danger of _____ (Romans 11:18, 1:20).
- Regardless of our ethnicity, the people of God must be mindful of God's _____ and God's _____ (Romans 11:22).