

# The Righteousness of God

The Church,  
The Gospel, and Israel

*"When they shall be called, that ancient people, who alone were so long God's people for so long a time, shall be his people again, never to be rejected again. They shall be gathered together into one fold, together with the Gentiles ..."*

- Jonathan Edwards, 1703-1758

## Romans 11:25-36 (ESV)

<sup>25</sup> Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. <sup>26</sup> And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob"; <sup>27</sup> "and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins." <sup>28</sup> As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

A quick **recap**:

Paul's hope for future Israel lies in the \_\_\_\_\_ that is Christ Jesus.

From that root springs the "Olive Tree" that is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Israel has been broken off. \_\_\_\_\_ Gentiles have been grafted in.

A dramatic \_\_\_\_\_ is coming.

*See: Hosea 14:1-9*

This reversal will come only as an act of God's \_\_\_\_\_ ... just like He displayed with the Gentiles He saved.

*Israel's hardening is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Why?*

*What does "all Israel" mean?*

*How will we know the end of all things is near?*

What I can **learn** and **apply** from this passage:

God's \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ are as sure as His promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

*Therefore, I will ...*

Every single saved person – Jew or Gentile – owes that salvation to God's \_\_\_\_\_! (And He still offers it today!)

*Therefore, I will ...*

We owe a special \_\_\_\_\_ to ethnic Israel – both past, for our shared " \_\_\_\_\_ " – and future, for our sacred \_\_\_\_\_.

*Therefore, I will ...*

God is \_\_\_\_\_ than all of my thoughts about Him. That vastness is leads me to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Romans 11:33-36 (ESV)**

<sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! <sup>34</sup> "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" <sup>35</sup> "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" <sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

*Therefore ...*