

## Israel's Present Condition - Romans 11:7-10

Ezekiel 36:22-29 - 22 "Therefore, say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord God,' It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, **but for My holy name**, which you have profaned among the nations where you went. 23 "And **I will vindicate the holiness of My great name** which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst. Then the nations will know that I am the Lord," declares the Lord God, "**when I prove Myself holy among you in their sight.** 24 "**For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands, and bring you into your own land.** 25 "**Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols.** 26 "**Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.** 27 "**And I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances.** 28 "**And you will live in the land that I gave to your forefathers; so you will be My people, and I will be your God.** NASB

In today's text, **Romans 11:7-10**, the discussion centers on **Israel's Present Condition**. Paul explains that for now only the **elect remnant** has obtained **salvation** and the **present condition** of **ethnic Israel** is the **divine hardening** of **blindness** and **deafness** to the **Gospel** and **salvation**. Those Jews who have been **chosen** by **God** and believed the **Gospel** have obtained **right standing** with **God**. But the **rest** of the **nation** has been **hardened**. **Israel** is the **perfect example** of **God's faithfulness** to his **Word** to **save all** who call on **Him by faith**, apart from works. But also, that **rejecting Christ** results in **severe divine judgment**. Even in **Israel**, only those who **call upon** the **name** of the **Lord Jesus Christ** by **faith** can be **saved**.

In today's text Romans 11:7-10 we will see...

- 11:7 - Israel and the Saved Remnant
- 11:8-10 - Israel's Present Condition and the Divine Hardening of God

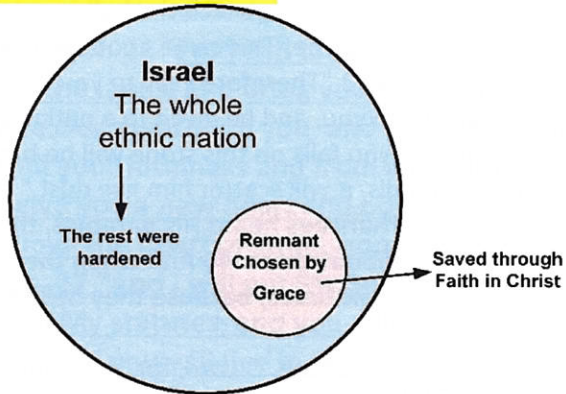
Romans 11:26-27 - 26 and thus all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob." 27 "And this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins." NASB

Romans 9:27-33 - 27 And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel, "Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that will be saved; 28 for the Lord will execute His word upon the earth, thoroughly and quickly." 29 And just as Isaiah foretold, "Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left to us a posterity, We would have become as Sodom, and would have resembled Gomorrah." 30 What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is by faith; 31 but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at that law. 32 Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as though it were by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone, 33 just as it is written, "Behold, I lay in Zion a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense, And he who believes in Him will not be disappointed." NASB

Romans 11:5 - 5 In the same way then, there has also come to be at the present time a remnant according to God's gracious choice. NASB

Romans 9:14-18 - 14 What shall we say then? There is no injustice with God, is there? May it never be! 15 For He says to

Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." **16 So then it does not depend on the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy. 17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I raised you up, to demonstrate My power in you, and that My name might be proclaimed throughout the whole earth." 18 So then He has mercy on whom He desires, and He hardens whom He desires.** NASB



**Romans 11:11-12** - 11 I say then, they did not stumble so as to fall, did they? May it never be! But **by their transgression salvation has come to the Gentiles, to make them jealous. 12 Now if their transgression be riches for the world and their failure be riches for the Gentiles,** how much more will their fulfillment be! NASB

**John 12:37-40** - 37 But though He had performed so many signs before them, **yet they were not believing in Him;** 38 that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke, "Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" **39 For this cause they could not believe, for Isaiah said again, 40 "He has blinded their eyes, and He hardened their heart; lest they see with their eyes, and perceive with their heart, and be converted, and I heal them."** NASB



**Matthew 21:37-45** - 37 "But afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 38 "But when the vine-growers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and seize his inheritance.' 39 "And they took him, and threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. 40 "Therefore when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vine-growers?" 41 They said to Him, "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end, and will rent out the vineyard to other vine-growers, who will pay him the proceeds at the proper seasons." 42 Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures, 'The stone which the builders rejected, This became the chief corner stone; This came about from the Lord, And it is marvelous in our eyes'?" 43 "Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you, and be given to a nation producing the fruit of it. 44 "And he who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; but on whomever it falls, it will scatter him like dust." 45 **And when the chief priests and the Pharisees heard His parables, they understood that He was speaking about them. 46 And when they sought to seize Him, they feared the multitudes, because they held Him to be a prophet.** NASB

**Psalms 69:16-27** - 16 Answer me, O Lord, for Thy lovingkindness is good; According to the greatness of Thy compassion, turn to me, 17 And do not hide Thy face from Thy servant, For I am in distress; answer me quickly. 18 Oh draw near to my soul and redeem it; Ransom me because of my enemies! 19 Thou dost know my reproach and my shame and my dishonor; All my adversaries are before Thee. 20 Reproach has broken my heart, and I am so sick. And I looked for sympathy, but there was none, And for comforters, but I found none. 21 They also gave me gall for my food, And for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink. 22 **May their table before them become a snare; And when they are in peace, may it become a trap. 23 May their eyes grow dim so that they cannot see, And make their loins shake continually. 24 Pour out Thine indignation on them, And may Thy burning anger overtake them.** 25 May their camp be desolate; May none dwell in their tents. 26 For they have persecuted him whom Thou Thyself hast smitten, And they tell of the pain of those whom Thou hast wounded. 27 Do Thou add iniquity to their iniquity, And may they not come into Thy righteousness. 28 **May they be blotted out of the book of life, And may they not be recorded with the righteous.** NASB