

**LET'S CONSIDER THE GOODNESS & SEVERITY OF GOD
(Romans 11:13-25) pt 2**

VI. The Righteousness of God Regarding Israel God's Sovereignty and Vindication concerning what has happened to Israel (Rom 9-11)

A. Israel's Past Election (Rom 9)

B. Israel's Present Rejection (Rom 10)

C. Israel's Future Restoration (Rom 11)

The *issues* so far in chapter 11 are:

1. What happened to the nation of Israel in this present dispensation? (11:1-11)
2. What Israel had, (the blessings, favor, & privilege of serving God) the Church of Jesus Christ now enjoys! (11:12)
3. Yet, Paul states that Israel, as a nation, has a glorious future. (11:12). "*how much more their **fullness***"
4. God's current **plan** for Israel and Paul's _____ to believing Gentiles (11:13-24)
 - a. God's **plans** for Israel
 - 1) God's **immediate** plan for Israel, is to _____ of some of them. (9:1-3; 10:1-4; 11:14)
 - 2) God's **long range** plan for Israel, is their future **restoration** and _____. (11:12)
 - b. Paul's **counsel** to believing Gentiles about this.... Vs 15... "Israel's being cast away has meant _____ for the rest of the world"
 - c. Paul's illustration: (11:16-17)
 - 1) The "*first fruit*" & the "*root*" are a reference to the _____ of the nation of Israel- specifically _____ - the progenitor of Israel and the _____ that would come from Him- ("*in you all the nations would be blessed*" –ref. - the Messiah of Israel).
 - 2) The "*lump*" & the "*branches*" reference the _____ of Abraham who find their source or life in the promise God made with him – ref. - _____.

* But what happened with some of the descendants vs 17?

* Why were some descendants broken off? (11:20)

d. Paul's _____ to Gentile believers (11:18-22)

1) Paul's **warning** to the present branches vs 18a....

2) His **reminder** to the present branches vs 18b....

* Explanation of how the church got in on God's Olive Tree of goodness or favor! (11:17-18)

Galatians 3:13-16; 3:26-29

Romans 3:29-30

3) Paul's 2nd **warning** to the Gentiles vs 20b....

4) Another **reminder**: vs 22....

a. On those who fell (the unbelieving Jews) - His _____ (via judgment - removal from the olive tree – the place of favor & blessing)!

b. But toward you (the predominantly Gentile church) - His _____ (via His grace & mercy)

- Being broken off has nothing to do with _____ ones salvation, but it has everything to do with being _____ from the place of divine favor, as a _____ of people (Jews or Gentiles) to a _____ in God's plan of the ages because of unbelief & disregard toward the Messiah!