

Israel's Future

Rom 11

1. Intro

1. Rom 9-God shows mercy to whom He chooses; Rom 10-Israel rejected salvation (Jesus);
2. Rom 11- Israel still in the picture; Big picture of two groups of people discussed, Israel and Gentiles.

2. Israel Has a Future

1. God has not rejected His own people (1)
 1. Not all of Israel rejected God (5)
 2. But a temporary hardening of their hearts (8-10)
2. God is both severe and good
 1. Severe towards Israel's; good to the Gentiles (22)
 2. Why? Times of the Gentiles (25)
 1. God gives opportunity because of faithful Abraham.
 2. God is wooing Israel back to Himself through blessing the Gentiles (11b-12)
 1. A future hardening of Gentiles.

3. Grafted In

1. Abraham was righteous; he was the root (16)
 1. Some unfaithful of Israel were broken off (17a)
 2. Gentiles were grafted into the root (17b)
 1. Be careful in our relationship (20-21)
2. Israel is still important to God
 1. They have a covenant relationship with Him.
 1. All Israel was saved (from Egypt)
 2. Not all were faithful (desert)
 2. God is faithful based on His covenant with Israel's fathers. (28-29)

4. Application

1. God is sovereign
 1. He can do as He chooses; He created us.
 1. We may not understand, but we cannot challenge it.
2. Abraham is the root though the covenant God made with Him
 1. We are partakers of Abraham's blessing
 1. We are grafted in.
 2. The purpose of grafting in is to produce fruit
 1. If not productive then we will be pruned.
 2. We must be careful in how we handle such a gift of salvation
 1. We can be pruned and our useless branch (work) will be thrown away.
 1. The stub is still there with potential.

5. Conclusion

1. Chp 9-11 is an illustration of 8:28