

# ROMANS 41 – 10:19-11:5

## *What Israel Knew*

### 1. 10:17-18

- a. *"have they heard?"* – It was sent out for ears to hear by faith - Mark 4:21-25
- b. Their words went out to the world - 1Ki 4:34, Josh 2:10, Mat 2:1,12:42; John 12:19
- c. They had heard by the law and prophets – Psa 19,22:22-28, 49, 98; Luke 16:19-31

### 2. 10:19

- a. Paul's answer is two-fold: They knew by 1. Moses, and 2. the Prophets
- b. *"Did not Israel know?"* –Yes, the law and prophets told them - Deu 32:21, Isa 64-65
- c. What could Israel know? God required faith, God sides with the faithful remnant
- d. Be careful: commentators will make this "no people", the church replacing Israel
- e. If they knew by the law and prophets, then this is not the mystery Body of Christ

### 3. 10:19-21

- a. They were to read the law every 70 years - Deut 31:10-13
- b. God's prophecy about Israel's failure in a song – Deu 31:16-22, 26-30
- c. A perverse generation – Deu 32:5 (Matt 17:17)
- d. Remember the days of old - Deu 32:6-15
- e. Israel lightly esteemed the rock of salvation – Deu 32:15, Psa 18:46, Mat 21:15
- f. They provoked God to jealousy by their lack of faith - Deu 32:16-20
- g. A "not a people" is found in Hos 1:10, and a foolish nation destroys them
- h. See it again in Isa 63:7-11, God was kind to Israel, then they rejected him
- i. There are faithful servants left in Israel – Isa 63:16-19
- j. The prayer of the faithful remnant of Israel - Isaiah 64
- k. A faithful remnant beholds God, but rebellious Israel does not - Isaiah 65:1-3
- l. God saves the remnant from the wrath, but not all Israel – Isa 65:8-16
- m. The disobedient and gainsaying is rebellious Israel, the obedient is the remnant

### 4. 11:1-2

- a. *"cast away"* forever? Answer: God forbid, remember Rom 3:1-5, 9:1-6
- b. *"I also am an Israelite"* – Phil 3:5-6, Gal 1:14, born out of due time – 1 Cor 15:8
- c. *"his people... he foreknew"* – God knew Israel, not Gentiles - are Israel, remember

### 5. 11:2-5

- a. Elijah testified *against* Israel's condition – 1 Kings 19:10
- b. God's answer: there is a remnant (hear the prophets) – 1 Kings 19:18
- c. *"Even so"* – Like then, it is now, how many were at Pentecost?
- d. *"according to the election of grace"* – that is by faith described in Rom 9-10