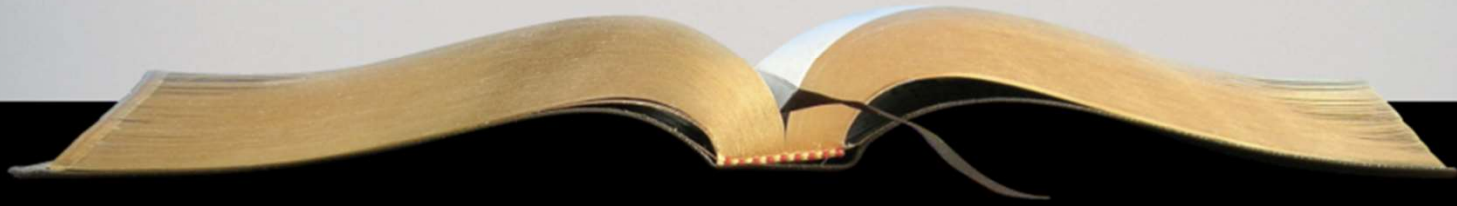


[Romans]

# Lesson 11

**God Is Sovereign  
over the Nation of Israel's  
Past, Present, and Future.**

***(Romans 9-11)***



# 1. Paul Was Sad Because Israel Rejected Jesus Christ.



(Rom. 9:2) ...I (*Paul*) have great heaviness and continual sorrow (*sad*) in my heart...  
(3) for my brethren, my kinsmen (*family*) according to the flesh: (4) Who are **Israelites;**



## **Jewish Christians were confused:**

God made wonderful promises to the nation of Israel, but they rejected God's Son. What would now happen to the nation of Israel?

(Rom. 9:31) *But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained (got) to the law of righteousness.* (32) *Wherefore? (why?) Because they (Israel) sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled (fell) at that stumblingstone* (Jesus—faith alone in Him);

Israel was proud (own works)

Israel was not humble (faith in Jesus)



# JEW'S

But we preach Christ crucified,  
**unto the Jews a stumblingblock,**  
and unto the Greeks foolishness;

1 Corinthians 1:23

GENESIS



GOD'S

GOSPEL



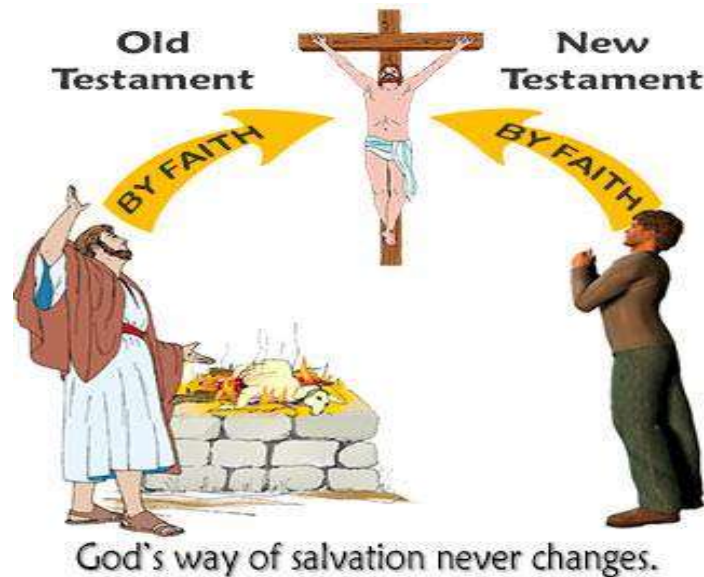
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WORD



(Rom. 10:1) Brethren, my (*Paul's*) heart's desire (*want*) and prayer to God for Israel is, that **they might be saved**. (2) For I bear them record (*tell*) that they have a zeal (*much focus*) of God, but not according to knowledge. (3) For they being **ignorant** (*not know*) of **God's righteousness**, and going about (*try*) to establish (*make*) their **own righteousness**, have **not submitted** (*obey*) themselves unto the **righteousness of God** (*Jesus—faith alone*).

(Rom. 10:4) For **Christ** is the end  
(*completion/goal*) of the **law** for  
**righteousness** to every one that  
**believeth.**



(John 14:6) *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*



## 2. God Has Sovereign (King—control) Right to Choose Whom He Wants to Use to Accomplish (work finish) His Will.





God is **Sovereign** (King—control/power).

Jewish Christians: Why now will God use the Church (Gentiles); why not Nation of Israel?

(Rom. 9:20) ...*man, who art thou that repliest (**speak**) against God? Shall the thing formed (**made**) say to him (**God**) that formed (**made**) it, Why hast thou made me thus (**this way**)? (21) Hath not the potter **power** over the clay...?*



# God is Sovereign.

*“Hath not the **potter** (**God**) power over the **clay** (**man**)...?”*



God chose **Abraham**—no one else

God chose **Isaac**—not Ishmael

God chose **Jacob**—not Esau

God chose **Israel**—not Egypt

God chose **David**—not Saul

# God Chose Israel to Accomplish His Will.



(Rom. 9:4) ...to whom (*Israel*) pertaineth  
(*have*) the **adoption** (*belong to God*), and  
the **glory**, and the **covenants**  
(*agreement*), and the giving of the **law**,  
and the **service** of God (*Tabernacle...*), and  
the **promises** (*Jesus will come through Israel;*  
*Israel will rule the nations*);



An illustration of Abram, an elderly man with a white beard, wearing a blue and white striped robe and a turban. He stands in a desert landscape at night, looking up at a starry sky with a crescent moon. His arms are raised in a gesture of awe or prayer. To his left is a simple tent. In the background, there are rolling hills and a few trees. In the upper right, a large, glowing cloud of stars is visible, with a small figure of a man standing on it. Another smaller figure of a man is visible in the sky below the star cloud. The entire scene is framed by a purple border.

# Abram Believed God

## *Statement of Account*

*Sinner*  
*Descendent of Adam*

*Total: Deserves death*

**DECLARED  
RIGHTEOUS**





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Monarchy

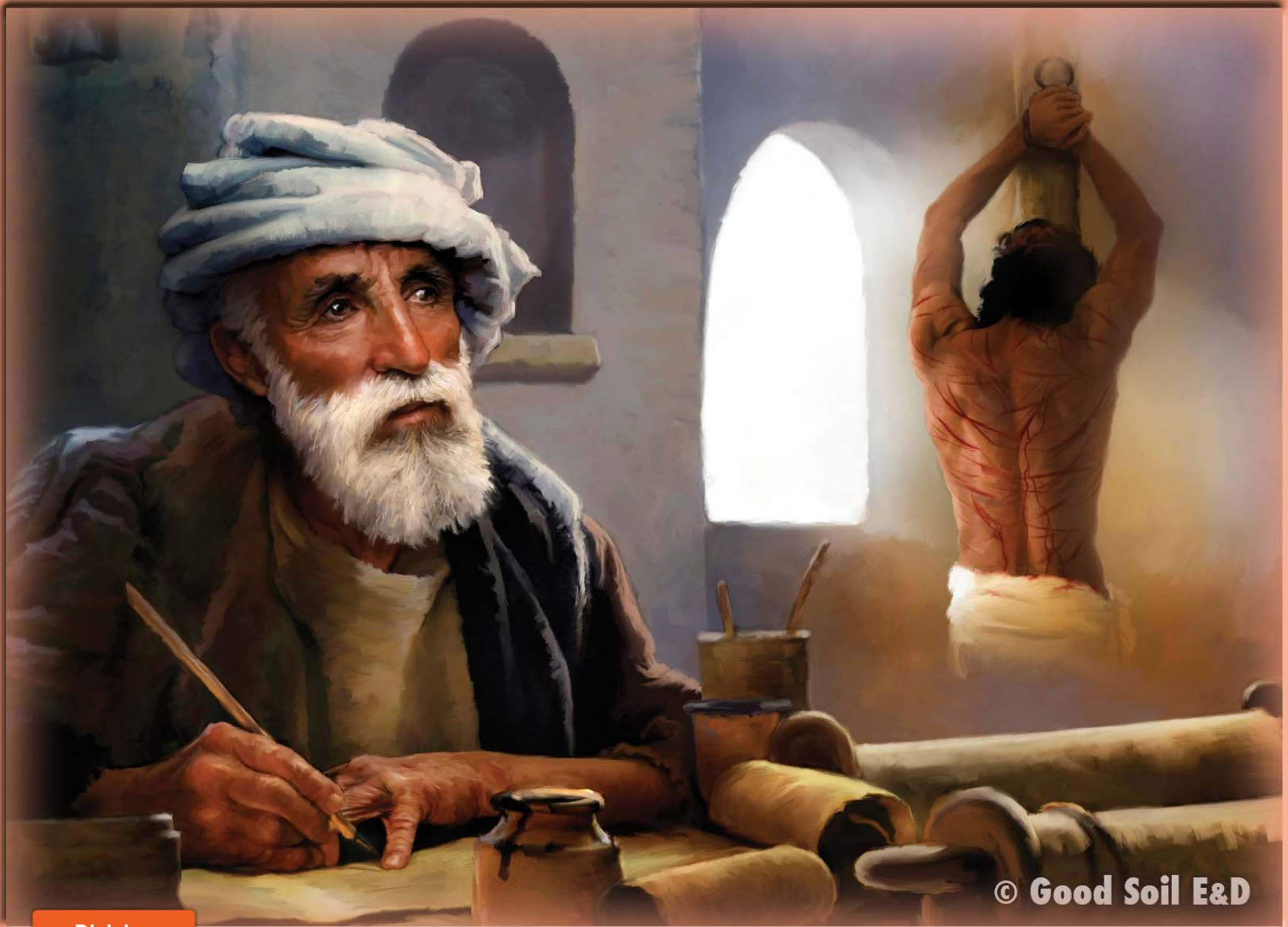
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Now, God chose  
believing Gentiles/Jews (**The Church**)  
to accomplish His Will.

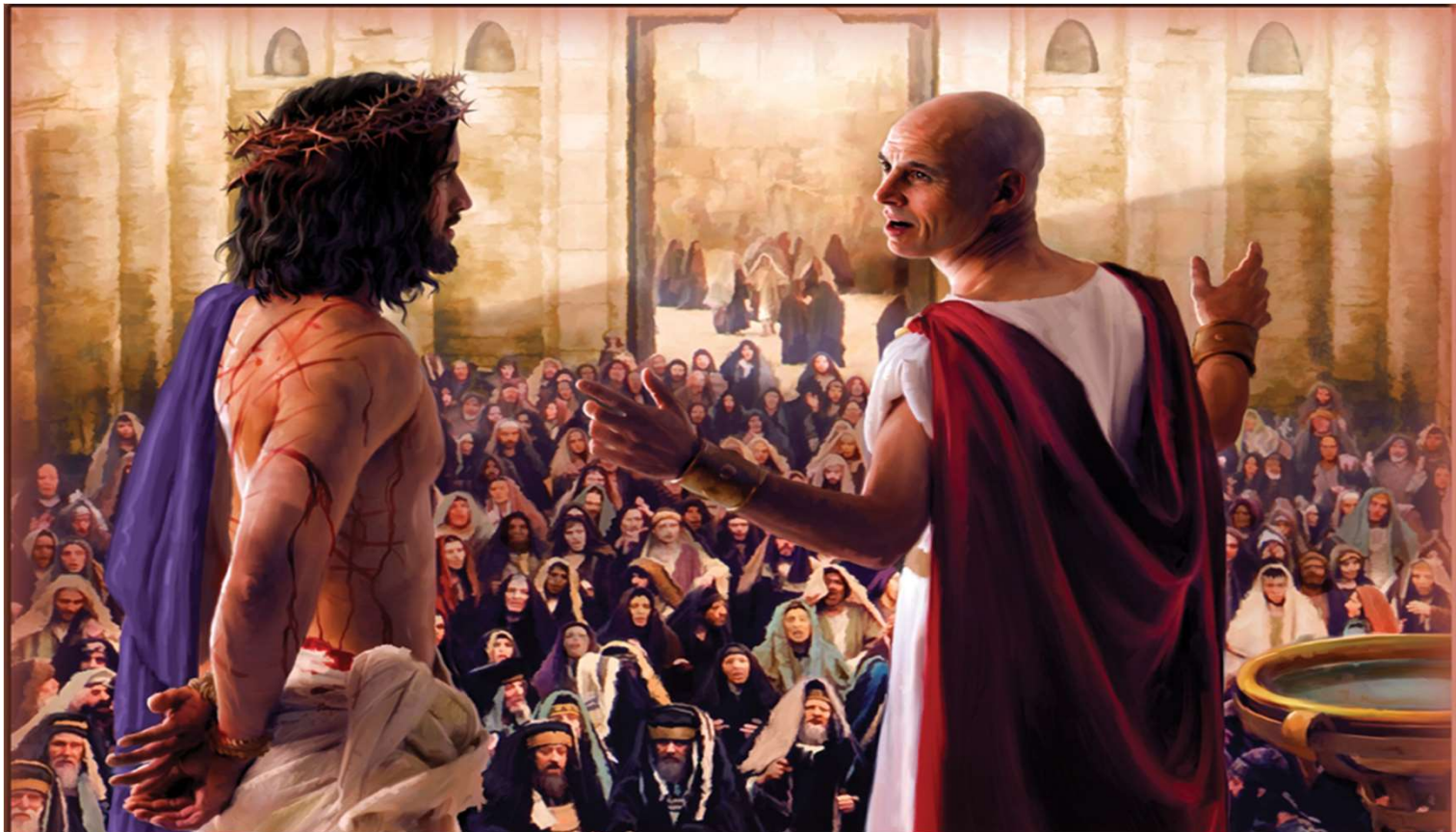


(Rom. 9:30) ...*the **Gentiles** (*nations*), which followed not after **righteousness**, have attained (*got*) to **righteousness**, even the **righteousness which is of faith.***





**3. God Chose to Stop Using  
the Nation of Israel.  
God Chose to Start Using  
Believing Gentiles/Jews (The Church).**



## Who are God's true children?

(Rom. 9:8) *They which are the **children of the flesh** (*Jews*), these are **not** the children of God: but the **children of the promise** (*those not flesh—but by God's foreknowledge —those believing God*) are counted (*decided—yes*) for the **seed** (*children of God*).*

God's Children = Those **believing** God



(Rom 9:23) *And that he (God) might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels (clay/people) of mercy, which he (God) had afore (past time) prepared unto glory, (24) Even us (church), whom (church) he (God) hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?*

## God's Children

(The Church—both Jews and Gentiles)



(Rom 9:25) As he (*God*) saith also in Osee (*Hosea*), I (*God*) will call **them** (*Church*) **my people, which** (*Gentiles*) were not my people (*Israel*); and **her beloved** (*Church*), which (*Gentiles*) was not beloved (*Israel*). (26) And it shall come to pass (*happen*)... **they** (*Church*) **be called the children of the living God.**

## God's Children

(The **Church**—both Jews and Gentiles)



(Rom. 10:21) *But to **Israel** he (**God**) saith,  
All day long I have stretched forth (**open**)  
my hands unto a disobedient and  
gainsaying (**argue/rebellious**) **people**.*

Israel rejected  
God's salvation (**Jesus**).



# 4. In the Future, God Will Again Use the Nation of Israel.





(Rom. 11:1) ...*Hath God cast away  
(rejected) his people? God forbid (no!).*  
(2) *God hath not cast away his people  
which he foreknew (before know).*

God has **NOT**  
forever rejected  
Israel.



# “All Israel shall be saved”

(Rom 11:25) *...that blindness in part (some) is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in (God's work among the Gentiles through the Church is completed).* (26) *And so all Israel shall be saved...*

Isaiah wrote about Israel's future salvation.



(Rom. 11:33) *O the depth (**deep—[much]**)  
of the riches both of the wisdom and  
knowledge of God! how unsearchable  
(**infinite**) are his judgments, and his  
ways past finding out (**infinite**)!*  
(34) *For who hath known the mind of  
the Lord? or who hath been his  
counsellor (**teacher**)?*





*(35) Or who hath first given to him  
(God), and it shall be recompensed  
(paid) unto him again? (36) For of him  
(God), and through him (God), and to  
him (God), are all things: to whom be  
glory for ever. Amen.*

