

SERIES: THE ROMAN ROAD

*Romans 11:11-24***Romans 11:7**

What then? **Israel** has **not** obtained what it seeks; but the **elect** have obtained it, and **the rest** were blinded.

We can see two distinct groups of people in Romans 11:7: one that is **non-elect** and blinded to the truth of being alive in Christ, and one that is **elect** who has obtained salvation and is alive in Christ.

Caution: Don't Jump to Conclusions

1. Caution: don't jump to the conclusion that **blinded Jews who are not of the elect cannot **be saved****

Romans 9:30-33

Romans 3:24-25

Romans 11

11 I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke them to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles.

12 Now if their fall is riches for the world, and their failure riches for the Gentiles, how much more their fullness!

13 For I speak to you Gentiles; inasmuch as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry, **14** if by any means I may provoke to jealousy those who are my flesh and save some of them.

15 For if their being cast away is the reconciling of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

16 For if the firstfruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

2. Caution: don't jump to the conclusion that just because you are a **member of a church, you are **secure in** Christ**

Romans 11

17 And if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them, and with them became a **partaker** of the root and fatness of the olive tree,

18 do not boast against the branches. But if you do boast, remember that you do not support the root, but the root supports you.

19 You will say then, "Branches were broken off that I might be grafted in."

20 Well said. **Because of unbelief** they were broken off, **and you stand** by faith. **Do not be haughty, but fear.**

21 For if God did not spare the natural branches, **He may not spare you either.**

Revelation 3:1-6; John 16:33

Romans 11

22 Therefore consider the goodness and **severity** of God: on those who fell, **severity**; but toward you, **goodness** [**Romans 2:4; kindness**], if you continue in His goodness. Otherwise you also will **be cut off**.

23 And they also, **if they do not continue in unbelief**, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.

24 For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, who are natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?