

Romans

The Remnant of Israel ([Romans 11:1-10](#))

Read: The Remnant of Israel (11:1-10)

Explain: The Remnant of Israel (11:1-10)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

1 I ask, then, has God rejected [aorist middle (Robertson) indicative; to _____ off, to reject, _____ away] **his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant** [sperma] **of Abraham, a member of the tribe** [offshoot, race, clan, kindred, tribe] **of Benjamin. 2 God has not rejected** [aorist active indicative] **his people whom he foreknew** [to know beforehand, foresee, foreknow, ordain, know before]. **Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals** [chance upon, confer with, entreat, deal with, make intercession] **to God against Israel? [1 Kings 19] 3 "Lord** [kyrios], **they have killed your prophets** [foretellers, inspired speakers, poets, prophets], **they have demolished** [undermined, destroyed, dug down, ruined] **your altars** [places of sacrifice, altars], **and I alone am left** [left, left under, left behind, remain, survive], **and they seek** [seek, worship, plot, desire, endeavor, enquire, require, seek after] **my life** [psyche; breath, spirit, soul]." **4 But what is God's reply** [divine response, revelation, answer of God] **to him? "I have kept** [forsaken, left, reserved] **for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed** [aorist active indicative; bent, bowed] **the knee to Baal."** **5 So too at the present time** [occasion, proper time, opportunity, season, time, while] **there is** [second perfect active indicative] **a remnant** [_____, remnant], **chosen** [selection, chosen, election] **by grace** [graciousness, acceptable, benefit, favor, gift, gracious, grace, joy, liberality, pleasure, thanks, thankworthy]. **6 But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.**

7 What then? Israel failed to obtain [obtain, chance upon, attain] **what it was seeking** [desire, enquire, seek after, seek for, search for, demand, crave]. **The elect** [selection, chosen, election] **obtained it, but the rest** [other, which remain, remnant, residue, rest, remaining ones] **were hardened** [aorist passive (Robertson) indicative; blinded, hardened, petrified, indurated (render stupid or callous); **Robertson's New Testament Word Pictures: to cover with thick skin**], **8 as it is written** [[Deuteronomy 19:4](#); [Isaiah 29:10](#); [6:9](#)],

“God gave them a spirit [pneuma] of stupor [slumber, _____ (sensation, as of the limbs asleep), stupor, lethargy], eyes [vision, eyes, sight, envy (from the jealous side glance)] that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day.”

9 And David says [Psalm 69:23; 34:8; 28:4],

“Let their table become [aorist middle imperative] a snare and a trap, a stumbling block [skandalon; snare, occasion to fall, offence, thing that offends, stumbling-block] and a retribution [recompense, requital] for them;

10 let their eyes be darkened [aorist passive (Robertson) imperative; _____, darkened] so that they cannot see, and bend [bow down, bend together, afflict] their backs forever.”

Are there any repeated words?

What are some observations of the text?

Apply (What is the point?)

1. There ____ an Israeli remnant
2. God’s choice is based on _____
3. God _____ some

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

1. _____ Israelis
2. Stop preaching _____
3. _____

Next week: Gentiles Grafted In (11:11-24)

Homework

Resources (our helps—order matters)

- Holy Spirit
- Bible: **Romans** (ESV)
- Church: bit.ly/FlemingSS
- Tools: bit.ly/romans2017

Our process

- Ask (the Holy Spirit for help)
- Read (**Romans**)
- Talk (about **Romans**—bit.ly/romans2017group)
- Send (feedback to jim314@yahoo.com by Wed)