Pastor Jake Magee Message Notes July 6, 2025

Romans 11:1-11; 25-26

The Question: Has God Rejected Israel?

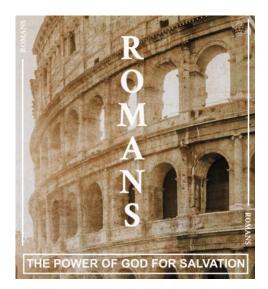
"All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people.

Has God rejected His people?" - Romans 10:21 - 11:1

"Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery?" – Romans 11:11

**Does ethnic Israel still have a place in God's redemptive plan?** His answer unfolds in a mystery now revealed.





The Mystery: What Has God Revealed?

*"I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in." – Romans 11:25* 

Paul speaks of a *mystery*—something once hidden, now made known to those with eyes to see. This mystery revolves around **God's plan for Israel**, and it challenges us to rethink everything we assume about identity and inclusion in God's people.

The Mystery of What: What Does "Israel" Mean?

Scripture reveals a deeper definition of Israel—beyond ethnicity.

- Not all ethnic Jews are "Israel": Romans 9:6-8; 2:28-29; John 8:39-47; Revelation 2:9
- Many Gentiles are counted as "Israel": Galatians 3:7; Romans 4:14–17; 11:17; Jeremiah 11:16–17; Romans 9:22–26 w/ Hosea 1:1–11; Philippians 3:1–3; Galatians 6:16; Ephesians 2:11–19
- Some ethnic Jews are counted as Gentiles: Romans 2:17–25; 9:6–8; Galatians 4:21–31

The Mystery of Who: Who Is the True Israel?

Isaiah 41:8-9; 42:1-4; Matthew 12:16-21 (citing Isaiah 42); Isaiah 49:1-7

The Mystery of How: How Does a Person Become Israel?

Isaiah 50:4-6; 52:13-15; 53:1-12; Hosea 11:1 with Matthew 2:14-15; Galatians 3:16-29

The Mystery of When: When does 'Israel' become "Israel?" What will God do next in history? When will this mystery reach its fulfillment? Join us next week as we explore the future hope for Israel and the world.

## \*\*Small Group questions will resume in the fall\*\*



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