

"The Remnant"
Romans 10:18-21, 11:1-10
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1. God holds Israel _____ for rejecting her Messiah... Rom. 10:18-21

Not because she hadn't heard the truth of the Gospel...

Rom 10:18: But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have, for "Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world."

Not because she didn't understand...

Rom. 10:19-20: But I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says, "I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry." Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, "I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me."

Not because God didn't give her every opportunity...

Rom 10:21: But of Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a **disobedient and contrary people.**"

Rom. 11:1a: "I ask, then, has God rejected his people? **By no means!**"

2. God has not given up on _____ Israel... There is a REMNANT...

Rom. 11:1-6

Rom. 11:1b: "For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin."

Rom. 11:2a: God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

Romans. 10:3-4: "Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life." But what is God's reply to him? "I have kept for myself **seven thousand men** who have not bowed the knee to Baal."

Rom. 10:5: So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace.

Rom. 10:6: But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.

Ephesians 2:8-9: For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

3. God issues a warning not to _____ His patience and grace...

Rom. 11:7-10

A. God invites you to join the Remnant...

Rom 10:21: But of Israel he says, "All day long **I have held out my hands** to a disobedient and contrary people."

John 7:37-38: On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

B. God warns you not to despise the Remnant...

Rom. 11:7-10: What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, as it is written, "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day." And David says, "Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them; let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and bend their backs forever."

Matthew 13:12-15: For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says:

"You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.