

“The Mystery of Israel’s Present Hardening and Future Recovery”

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Sermon Text: Romans 11:1-36

1. The Present Believing Remnant of Israel are chosen by grace (vs. 1-10)

2. Gentile Boasting is NOT in order (vs. 11-14)

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

3. The Bright Future for Israel and the World (vs. 15-36)

Acts 13:47-52

Jeremiah 31:35–37

Five reasons in support of this view

1. The term “Israel” in vs. 25-26 most naturally refers to the same thing.
2. The reference in vs 26 to banishing ungodliness from Jacob fits with the ethnic view of “all Israel”.
3. The parallel between the two halves of vs 28 point to all Israel as the ethnic Jews as a whole.
4. The parallels in vs 12 point in the same direction.
5. The same thing is true about the parallels in vs 15.

WLC Q. 191. *What do we pray for in the second petition?*

A. In the second petition (which is, *Thy kingdom come*), acknowledging ourselves and all mankind to be by nature under the dominion of sin and Satan, we pray, that the kingdom of sin and Satan may be destroyed, the gospel propagated throughout the world, the Jews called, the fullness of the Gentiles brought in; the church furnished with all gospel officers and ordinances, purged from corruption, countenanced and maintained by the civil magistrate; that the ordinances of Christ may be purely dispensed, and made effectual to the converting of those that are yet in their sins, and the confirming, comforting, and building up of those that are already converted: that Christ would rule in our hearts here, and hasten the time of his second coming, and our reigning with him forever: and that he would be pleased so to exercise the kingdom of his power in all the world, as may best conduce to these ends. (<https://opc.org/lc.html>)

Isaiah 2:2–3