

2 Peter 3:9 —

14. What does God's diligent pursuit of Israel teach you about the way He keeps His promises?
15. Does the truth of this passage humble you as you realize that except for God's grace you could have been born at a time when the Gentiles were *separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world (Ephesians 2:12)*?
16. How can we pray for one another this week?

#### Quotes to Ponder

*We who are Gentiles should ... take these verses as a reminder that we are only part of the great salvation-historical plan of God and that that plan has its climax in the salvation of Israel.*

Douglas Moo

*Salvation is the forgiveness and removal of sin, the eradication of that which separates fallen man from the holy God. The power of salvation is God's grace, and the condition of salvation is man's faith. But even that faith is divinely provided.*

John MacArthur

*In this section Paul brings to a close his thoughts on the relation between the salvation of Israel and the Gentiles. Israel has been set aside for a time until God has finished his work of saving Gentiles, but will again be saved when the Deliverer, Christ, comes. God's plan is marvelous and Gentiles should not boast in respect to Israel's failure because it was a result of Divine hardening in order that having set aside Israel God might fully extend His salvation to the Gentiles.*

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Message #79: Is God Done With Israel?

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## Sermon Notes

### 1. God Hardens & Softens as He Pleases (25)

A. *Partial hardening*

B. *Until*

C. *Fullness*

D. *Has come in*

### 2. Israel's Future (26a)

A. *And so*

B. *Israel*

C. *All*

### 3. Israel's Benefits (26b-27)

A. *One way of salvation*

B. *Deliverer*

C. *Remove ungodliness*

D. *Take away their sins*

E. *God's faithfulness*

1. What in the text or sermon impacted you most? What encouraged you? Convicted you? Confused you?

2. What does Paul mean with the word *mystery* in *Romans 11:25*?

What do the following verses add to your understanding of *mystery*?

*Romans 16:25-26* —

*Ephesians 3:3-10* —

*Ephesians 5:32* —

*Ephesians 6:18-20* —

*Colossians 1:25-27* —

*Colossians 2:2* —

*Revelation 10:7* —

3. What is the *mystery* Paul wants us to be informed of (*Romans 11:25-26*)?

4. How does being informed of this *mystery* curb our pride (*Romans 11:25-26*)?

5. What does Paul mean by *a partial hardening* of Israel (*Romans 11:25*)?

6. What is the *fullness of the Gentiles* (*Romans 11:25*; cf. *Luke 21:24*)?

7. What does *all Israel* mean in *Romans 11:26*?

8. When will *all Israel* be saved (*Romans 11:26*)?

9. How will *all Israel* be saved (*Romans 11:26-27*)?

10. What specifically will happen for Israel when the *Deliverer* comes (*Romans 11:26-27*)?

11. Why is it not unfair of God to keep the majority of Jews in a state of spiritual hardening for the last 2,000 years?

12. Read *Romans 11:26-27*. Will God keep His promises to Israel? How?

13. What do these verses teach about God's faithfulness?

*Numbers 23:19* —

*Hebrews 10:23* —