

Romans Series

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The Epistle to the ROMANS

Dough and Olive Branches
Romans 11:15–27



Romans 9–11

Romans 11 then answers the question, “has God cast away His people?” The answer is no. He still has a plan for national, ethnic Israel.

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Paul asks: Did the hardened of Israel stumble only to fall beyond recovery?

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Rom. 9:32, “Why? Because they did not seek it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumbling stone.”

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fullness, wholeness, or
completeness in contrast to
something partial**

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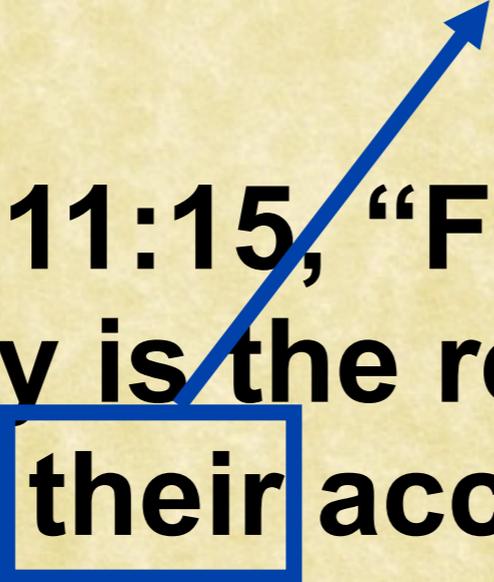
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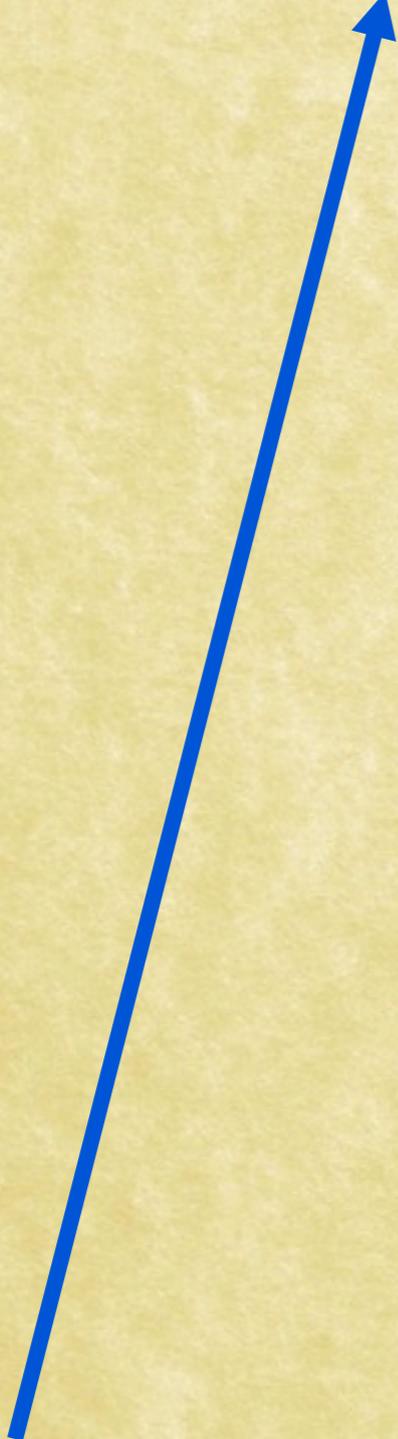
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ἅγιος *hagios*

nom fem sing

**“set apart to the service of
God; holy”**

Num. 15:19–20, “Then it shall be that when you eat of the food of the land, you shall lift up an offering to the Lord. Of the first of your dough [*aparohen phuramatos LXX*] you shall lift up a cake as an offering; as the offering of the threshing floor, so you shall lift it up.”

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Root = the patriarchs, cf., 11:28

Broken off = removed from blessing

Grafted in = temporary place of blessing

Romans 11:18, “do not boast against the branches. But if you do boast, remember that you do not support the root, but the root supports you.”

**Romans 11:19, “You will say then,
‘Branches were broken off that I might be
grafted in.’ ”**

Romans 11:20, “Well said. Because of unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by faith. Do not be haughty, but fear.”

Romans 11:21, “For if God did not spare the natural branches, He may not spare you either.”

Romans 11:22, “Therefore consider the goodness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in His goodness. Otherwise you also will be cut off.”

**ἀποτομία *apotomia*
acc fem sing severity,
rigor, consistency**

Romans 11:23, “And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.”

Romans 11:24, “For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, who are natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?”

Romans 11:25, “For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part [*apo merous*] has happened to Israel until [*achris ou*] the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.”

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Luke 1:20, “But behold, you will be mute and not able to speak *until [achri]* the day these things take place, because you did not believe my words which will be fulfilled in their own time.”

Matthew 24:38, “For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until [*achri*] the day that Noah entered the ark,”

1 Corinthians 11:26, “For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till [*achris*] He comes.”

Romans 11:26, “And **so [kai houtos] all Israel will be saved, as it is written: *‘The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;***

Rom. 11:27, “ ‘For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins.’ ”

Isa. 59:20, “ ‘The Redeemer will come to Zion, And to those who turn from transgression in Jacob,’ Says the LORD.

Isa. 59:21, “ ‘As for Me,’ says the LORD, ‘this is My covenant with them: My Spirit who is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your descendants, nor from the mouth of your descendants’ descendants,’ says the LORD, ‘from this time and forevermore.’ ”

Isa. 27:9, “Therefore by this the iniquity of Jacob will be covered; And this is all the fruit of taking away his sin: When he makes all the stones of the altar Like chalkstones that are beaten to dust, Wooden images and incense altars shall not stand.”

Rom. 11:28, “Concerning the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but concerning the election they are beloved for the sake of the fathers.

Rom. 11:29, “For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.”