Study Questions – Romans 11:25-36

Rom. 11:25 For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery — so that you will not be wise in your own estimation — that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; ²⁶ and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written,

"THE DELIVERER WILL COME FROM ZION, HE WILL REMOVE UNGODLINESS FROM JACOB."

"THIS IS MY COVENANT WITH THEM, WHEN I TAKE AWAY THEIR SINS."

From the standpoint of the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but from the standpoint of *God's* choice they are beloved for the sake of the fathers; ²⁹ for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ For just as you once were disobedient to God, but now have been shown mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so these also now have been disobedient, that because of the mercy shown to you they also may now be shown mercy. For God has shut up all in disobedience so that He may show mercy to all. **Rom. 11:33** Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! ³⁴ For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD, OR WHO BECAME HIS COUNSELOR? ³⁵ Or WHO HAS FIRST GIVEN TO HIM THAT IT MIGHT BE PAID BACK TO HIM AGAIN? ³⁶ For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him *be* the glory forever. Amen.

- 1. Of what mystery does Paul NOT want his brethren to be uninformed? (11:25)
- 2. Why does Paul not want his brethren to be unformed of this mystery? (11:25)
- 3. (A) Why is it important for believers to "not be wise in your own estimation"?
- 4. For how long will there be a partial hardening of Israel? (11:25)
- 5. How many of Israel will be saved? (11:26)
- 6. From where will the Deliverer come? (11:26)
- 7. (D) Who/what is Zion? (cf. 2Sam 5:7; 1Kings 8:1; 2Kings 19:21; 2 Kings 19:31; 1Chr 11:5; 2Chr 5:2; Isa 1:27; Isa 4:3-5; Isa 24:23; Isa 28:16; Isa 30:19; Isa 33:20; Isa 37:32; Isa 46:13; Isa 52:1; Isa 59:20; Isa 62:1; Joel 3:16-17, 21; Mic 4:10; Zeph 3:14-16; Zech 1:14, 17; Zech 2:10; Zech 8:2-3; Zech 9:9; Ps 2:6; Ps 78:68; Ps 87:2)
- 8. What has God covenanted to do for Zion? (11:26)
- 9. List the promises to Israel in the following verses:
 - Gen 12:2-3 (Abrahamic Covenant)
 - 2Sam 7:12-16 (Davidic Covenant)
 - Isa 59:20
 - Isa 59:21
 - Jer 31:33 (New Covenant)
- 10. (D) How will God satisfy His covenant obligation to Zion?
- 11. What is Israel from the standpoint of the gospel? (11:28a)
- 12. What is Israel from the standpoint of God's choice? (11:28b)
- 13. Why is Israel beloved? (11:28)
- 14. What is irrevocable? (11:29)
- 15. Why have you been shown mercy though once disobedient to God? (11:30)
- 16. Why will Israel, who is now disobedient, be shown mercy? (11:31)
- 17. Why has God shut up all in disobedience? (11:32)
- 18. What do you learn about God in Rom 11:25-36? How could you apply this truth to your life?

Write a prayer response to Rom 11:25-36.