

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.
THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 11:7-18

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY – PART 2

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology
And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

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We are looking to Psalm 91 as our theme for this portion of Romans Chapter 11, and for this reason, A Great portion of the Scriptures are dedicated to God fulfilling His promises to the nation of Israel and to the Jewish people - His covenant promises that He has made for Israel's – on Israel's behalf and her blessings of future restoration. We are seeing, in our present day, God's gracious awakening of His people, and the unfolding of God's prophetic / calendar of End Times Biblical Events.

Psalm 91:1

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High
shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Romans 11:7-18

7 What then? Israel has not obtained what it seeks; but the elect have obtained it, and the rest were blinded. **8** Just as it is written: *“God has given them a spirit of stupor, eyes that they should not see and ears that they should not hear, to this very day.”*

9 And David says: *“Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a recompense to them.*

10 *Let their eyes be darkened, so that they do not see, and bow down their back always.”*

11 I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke *them* to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles. 12 Now if their fall is riches for the world, and their failure riches for the Gentiles, how much more their fullness!

13 For I speak to you Gentiles; inasmuch as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry, 14 if by any means I may provoke to jealousy those who are my flesh and save some of *them*. 15 For if their being cast away is the reconciling of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? 16 For if the first-fruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

17 And if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among *them*, and with *them* became a partaker of the root and fatness of the olive tree, 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.

UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY

1.) Is where God desires you to see beyond vs. 7-8

Under The Shadow Of The Almighty IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO SEE BEYOND

1a.) Beyond the edge vs. 7

1b.) Beyond the fog vs. 8a

8 Just as it is written: *“God has given them a spirit of stupor, eyes that they should not see and ears that they should not hear...”*

1c.) Beyond the temporal vs. 8b

Verse 8b

8b to this very day.”

Until - - “This very day”

What’s powerful about the time and the age in which you and I are living in right now is that you have been hearing me say for nearly a year now - - -that the world is starting to see the signs of God beginning to prepare His nation Israel for the last days events.

One of the Crown Jewels of the last days of events is happening right now, where God is bringing into the church more and more of those who are Jews.

2 Corinthians 3:14-17

14 But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. 15 But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. 16 Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

There is a Debate as to “who” has blinded the eyes, the ears – the mind of the Jew.

John 12:37-41

But although Jesus had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him, 38 that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke:

“Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?”

39 Therefore they could not believe, because Isaiah said again: 40 “He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, Lest they should see with their eyes, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them.”

41 These things Isaiah said when he saw His glory and spoke of Him.

Notice Here Please: The God of Abraham, Issac & Jacob

Is the One doing the “blinding” when it comes to the Jew who refuses to give Yeshua their faith as Messiah.

I know this is a shocker for many people to hear – yet it proves **His eternal plan for the Jewish people.**

Contrary for the Gentile – who has blinded the eyes, the ears, **the hearts of the Gentiles who refuse to believe in Jesus as Lord and Christ?**

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age (satan) has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY

2.) Is where God desires you to be unburdened vs. 9-10

Under The Shadow Of The Almighty IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE UNBURDENED

2a.) Unburdened from failure vs. 9

Verse 9

9 And David says: "Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a recompense to them."

Understand That The "Table" in the Jewish mind is a place of safety, fellowship, unity, oneness, family & identity.

Psalm 23:5a

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

But this "Let Their Table Become..." - - this is a scathing rebuke against their Self-engineered, Self-security, Self-religion & Self-centric religion.

Paul is Referencing King David & His
Messianic Psalm 69:22-23

Listen to the Preceding Verses

Psalm 69:20-21

Reproach has broken My heart, and I am full of heaviness; I looked for someone to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none. 21 They also gave Me gall for My food, and for My thirst they gave Me vinegar to drink.

Snare

grk: eis (pronounced = ice) (not an easy word to define)
The coming to the end or ending, to run past without notice.

- Trap** grk: eis (pronounced = ice) – (it is the exact same word)
to not respect what is before you, to miss the view or to miss the sights. (Indicating that having reached the goal – you pass it or miss it.)
- Stumbling** grk: grk: eis (pronounced = ice) (not an easy word to define)
An end or ending, to run past without notice, to not respect what is before you, to miss the view or to miss the sights. (indicating the point reached or entered but missing its meaning and worth)
- Recompense** grk: grk: eis (pronounced = ice) (not an easy word to define)
to fail to see the meaning and underestimate the value of or the worth of)

Matthew 23:2-7

“The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. 3 Therefore whatever they tell you to observe, that observe and do, but do not do according to their works; for they say, and do not do. 4 For they bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men’s shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers. 5 But all their works they do to be seen by men. They make their phylacteries broad and enlarge the borders of their garments. 6 They love the best places at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues, 7 greetings in the marketplaces, and to be called by men, ‘Rabbi, Rabbi....

Matthew 15:3b-9,14

“Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? 4 For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’ 5 But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or mother, ‘Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God’ — 6 then he need not honor his father or mother.’ Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition. 7 Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: 8 “These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. 9 And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ ”... 14 Let them alone. They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch.”

**The Consequences of Pushing Jesus Christ Away –
is that He will let you - - until you run yourself out of time.**

Matthew 27:15-23

Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to releasing to the multitude one prisoner whom they wished. 16 And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. 17 Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?” 18 For he knew that they had handed Him over because of envy. 19 While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, “Have nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of Him.” 20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. 21 The governor answered and said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to

release to you?" They said, "Barabbas!" 22 Pilate said to them, "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said to him, "Let Him be crucified!" 23 Then the governor said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they cried out all the more, saying, "Let Him be crucified!"

!!! But this doesn't describe You - the Real Believer !!!

You Can Stop Today - from Having Your Failures & Sins Define You.

Psalms 42:1-6a

As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, O God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? 3 My tears have been my food day and night, while they continually say to me, "Where is your God?" 4 When I remember these things, I pour out my soul within me 5 Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him For the help of His countenance. 6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me; therefore I will remember You

Psalm 84:2-4 NIV

My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. 3 Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young - - a place near your altar, LORD Almighty, my King and my God. 4 Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Psalm 27:1,4,8

The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
4 One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple. 8 When You said, "Seek My face," My heart said to You, "Your face, LORD, I will seek."

Under The Shadow Of The Almighty
IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE UNBURDENED

2b.) Unburdened from the unknown

vs. 10a

Verse 10a

10a Let their eyes be darkened, so that they do not see,

Notice the statement itself. Verse 10 is the revelation of what God does not want to have happen for the Jewish people.

This is an extremely sad reality that makes up the history of the Jews.

Isaiah 6:9-10

And He said, "Go, and tell this people: 'Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive. 10 "Make the heart of this people dull, And their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and return and be healed."

!!! But this doesn't describe You - the Real Believer !!!

Psalms 36:7

How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

Jeremiah 6:16

Thus says the LORD: "Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way *is*, and walk in it; Then you will find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk *in it*.'

Under The Shadow Of The Almighty
IS WHERE GOD DESIRES YOU TO BE UNBURDENED

2c.) Unburdened from the weight of guilt

vs. 10b

Verse 10b

10b and bow down their back always."

This is an argument used to describe the weight and burden caused by sin and shame. It carries with it the embarrassment, loss and of feeling alone because you are alone.

!!! But this doesn't describe You - the Real Believer !!!

"To bend or to bow down their backs"

describes the inevitable demise the hunching over of the Jew, having been blinded by religious activity, and the knowledge of the law, yet internally tied to the weight of the 10 Commandments, of which they could never fulfill. Rather than receiving the fulfillment of the 10 Commandments, in the word of God in Christ, the atonement, they chose rather to continue on in a state of utter blindness.

{Picture in your mind John Bunyan's "Pilgrims Progress"}

John 5:18-19a, 37-40

Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, (Psalm 2, Proverbs 30:4) making Himself equal with God. 19 Then Jesus answered and said to them... 37 And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. 38 But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. 39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. 40 But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life.

Ephesians 2:11-18

Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh - who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands - 12 that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, 15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, 16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. 17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. 18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.

I must end this – with a plea, with a shameless invitation asking you to please prove me wrong about what I am about to say.

Genesis 49:10

Messiah had be from the tribe of Judah:

2 Samuel 7:12-16

Messiah had be a descendant of King David:

Micah 5:1-2

Messiah had to be born at Bethlehem:

Daniel 9:24-27

Messiah would have to arrive before the destruction of the Second Temple:

Zechariah 9:9

Messiah had to present himself as King by riding on a donkey:

Psalm 22:1-31
Messiah had be tortured to death:

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Messiah's life would match a particular description, including suffering, silence at his arrest and trial, death and burial in a rich man's tomb, and resurrection:

Genesis 3:15
The Messiah alone was and is the only salvation provided by God for mankind.

Isaiah 7:14
Messiah had to be born of a virgin.

Psalms 22
The Messiah would have to be crucified in his hands and his feet.

Isaiah 53:5-7
The Messiah would have to be betrayed, beaten, mutilated and killed without any act or word of defending himself

Isaiah 35:5-6.
The Messiah would appear and open the eyes of the blind, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers and proclaim the kingdom of God.

Deuteronomy 30:6
The Messiah would be the salvation to both Jew and gentile alike based on the LORD circumcising our hearts first like Abraham our father.

Proverbs 30:4
The Messiah would be the eternal, Son of God.

End of Study

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