

IS THE NATION ISRAEL STILL IN GOD'S PLAN?

Romans 11:1-36

Why Have The Jews Been So Despised By Everyone Else?

Is God Finished With Israel? No, There Is Still A Remnant (vv. 1-10)

But . . . Is God Finished With Israel As A Nation? (vv. 11-15)

Isaiah 66:8, "Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion was in labor, She gave birth to her children."

Zechariah 8:7-8, "This is what the Lord Almighty says: "I will save my people from the countries of the east and the west. I will bring them back to live in Jerusalem; they will be my people, and I will be faithful and righteous to them as their God."

Micah 4:1, "In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and peoples will stream to it."

How Does God Manage His Own Family's "Sibling Rivalry?" (vv. 16-32)

What Are Today's Jews Saying About The Messiah?

Questions For Reflection and/or Discussion:

- What are your thoughts about today's Jews, if any? Do you feel any animosity or favor towards them?
- Has there ever been a time you were passed over in favor of someone else? How does this and Romans 11 give you insight into how God deals with His people, both Jews and Gentiles?
- Do you think Israel's restoration is significant for today? How so?
- How might Christians cause the Jews to become "jealous" towards God?
- How might your own lifestyle cause someone to desire the benefits of the gospel you enjoy?