

# WHY ISRAEL CANNOT BE IGNORED

## The Fallacy of Replacement Theology (Lesson # 3)

(Romans 2:28-29)

REVIEW: Why Does Israel Matter? (Lesson # 1)

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants in Matthew 21 (Lesson # 2)

TONIGHT:

*(Rom. 2:28-29) - For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.*

Replacement Theologians use these verses to say Paul is introducing a 'Spiritual Israel' that has superseded or replaced physical Israel.

The absolute key to understanding what Paul is saying is to know WHO he is addressing and WHAT he is talking about...

The CONTEXT is Romans 1-3

The THEME of the first 3 chapters of Romans is Paul answering the question – Who needs the Gospel?

1st - It is evident that he is saying The God-less \_\_\_\_\_ need the Gospel (Romans 1:18-32)

2<sup>nd</sup> – The Moral, Torah-Observant \_\_\_\_\_ needs the Gospel (Romans 2:1-3:31)

Why?

*(Rom. 3:22b-23) - ...for there is no difference, for ALL have sinned and all short of the glory of God.*