

“The Gospel”

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Romans 11:17-36 (NASB)

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1. THE GOSPEL MUST LEAD US TO HUMILITY.

Romans 11:17–36 (NASB95)¹⁷But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, were grafted in among them and became partaker with them of the rich root of the olive tree, ¹⁸**do not be arrogant toward the branches**; but if you are arrogant, remember that it is not you who supports the root, but the root supports you. ¹⁹You will say then, “Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in.” ²⁰Quite right, they were broken off for their unbelief, but you stand by your faith. **Do not be conceited, but fear**; ²¹for if God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare you, either. ²²**Behold then the kindness and severity of God**; to those who fell, severity, but to you, God’s kindness, if you continue in His kindness; otherwise you also will be cut off. ²³**And they also, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.** ²⁴For if you were cut off from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these who are the natural branches be grafted into their own olive tree? ²⁵For 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**;

2. THE GOSPEL MUST LEAD US TO WORSHIP.

²⁶and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, “THE DELIVERER WILL COME FROM ZION, HE WILL REMOVE UNGODLINESS FROM JACOB.”²⁷“THIS IS MY COVENANT WITH THEM, WHEN I TAKE AWAY THEIR SINS.” ²⁸**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**; ²⁹for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you once were disobedient to God, but now have been shown mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so these also now have been disobedient, that because of the mercy shown to you they also may now be shown mercy. ³²For God has shut up all in disobedience so that He may show mercy to all. ³³**Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!** How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! ³⁴For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD, OR WHO BECAME HIS COUNSELOR? ³⁵Or 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.**