

## ***Israel's Guaranteed Future Salvation*** **Romans 11:25-32**

### **Israel's partial hardening is temporary. 25**

- ◆Hardening exists until the fullness (complete harvest) of the Gentiles.  
What is most mysterious here? See 16:25 Col. 1:26,27, Eph. 3:4-11.
- ◆The motive for explaining the mystery = prevent conceit, recall 18,20.

### **Israel's future salvation is guaranteed. 26,27**

- ◆The mystery climaxes in 26,27. How should we understand *all Israel*?  
It's the literal nation (note *Jacob* in 26) and as a whole not individual.
- ◆Paul concludes with OT quotes again (Isa. 59:20,21, 27:9), pointing out that Israel's/Jacob's national salvation was predicted to take place in connection with Christ's coming. See also Zech. 12:10, 14:4.

### **Israel's present condition is alienation. 28,29**

- ◆Israelites are *enemies for your sake* since rejecting the gospel led to an opportunity for the Gentiles 11:11,12,30, Acts 13:46.
- ◆Regardless of enmity with God (10:3,21, 11:7,8) Israel is beloved by God because of His commitment to the Patriarchs. *Gifts and God's calling* recall 8:30, 9:4,5. God's plans for Israel will not change!

### **God's impartial mercy is experienced by all. 30-32**

Israel's salvation is again connected to the Gentiles, as is the reverse. In spite of their disobedience, God's mercy overtakes both groups. All are trapped in disobedience; mercy is the only way out!



How should realizing you and I are part of something so big and so mysterious affect us?