GOD WORKS THROUGH HIS MERCY

Romans 11:1-36

Key Verse: 11:32

1. Did God reject his people (1)? What evidence does Paul give (2-4)? What does the example from Elijah’s time reveal about how God works (1Ki 19:10,14,18)? What hope does this give us today (5-6)? What happened to those who sought righteousness by works (7-10)?

2. Did Israel fall beyond recovery (11a)? How did God use Israel’s transgression (11b-12)? As an apostle to the Gentiles, what hope did Paul have, and on what basis (13-16)?

3. To what do “wild olives shoots” and “the olive root” refer (17)? How did the Gentile believers receive grace and what should be their attitude toward the Jews (18-20)? What warning does Paul give to the Gentile believers (21-24)?

4. What mystery did Paul make the Gentiles aware of (25-27)? Who is the deliverer and how will he bring about the salvation of Israel? How should Gentile believers understand the Jews (28-29)?

5. Read verses 30-32. What did Paul discover about God’s salvation work? What song of exaltation sprang forth from Paul and why (33-36; ref 9:1-2)? What can we learn about God in this passage?