

“Israel – Cast Away or Surviving the Final Day?”

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Romans 11:1-5

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I. Hated By Many

Romans 11:1a I say then, Hath God cast away his people? ...

Anti-Semitism Stats

In the Middle East: Muslim children are taught from birth, by their parents, teachers and religious leaders, that Jews are subhuman "children of pigs and monkeys" and worthy only of violent death;

In Europe: Police in Germany busted large gangs of neo-Nazis who had planned to bomb a Jewish worship place to "commemorate" the 65th anniversary of one of the most stunning examples of anti-Semitism in the 20th century: Kristallnacht.

In France, out-migration of Jews is at the highest rate in memory.

On American college campuses: (University of Chicago) A car drove up to a Jewish student and a passenger screamed: "Death to Jews. Hitler should have finished you all off when he had the chance."

On a public list-serve in the Humanities Department, a pro-Palestinian graduate student joked openly about Auschwitz.

Fliers posted in a dorm to publicize a pro-Israel rally were defaced with obscenities and vile, anti-Semitic suggestions.

II. Loved By One

Romans 11:1b ... God forbid. ...

Psalm 94:14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

A 1928 Vatican decree refers to Jews as "the people formerly chosen by God." The Second Vatican Council in 1965 affirmed the centuries-old claim that "the Church is the new people of God...." On June 22, 1943, a letter to President Roosevelt from Pope Pius XII which said in part, "If a Hebrew Home is desired, it would not be too difficult to find a more fitting territory than Palestine. With an increase in the Jewish population there, grave new problems would arise."

Jeremiah 30:1-3 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, ² Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book. ³ For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

Matthew 27:25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

John 1:11-12 He came unto his own, and his own received him not. ¹² But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

III. Proved By Grace

Romans 11:1c-5 ... For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. ² God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot [know] ye not what the scripture saith of Elias [Elijah]? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying, ³ Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. ⁴ But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of Baal*.

1 Samuel 12:22 For the LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.

VI. All By Grace

Romans 11:5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

Anti-Semitism will fail, God will not. While God temporarily rejected the nation, grace still goes out to the individual.