

Examining the Scriptures
(Be Berean!)

I Kings 18-19

Consider & Discuss
(Be Transformed!)

1. Who does Paul mean by "His people" in 11:1?
2. What is the simple answer to Paul's question?
3. When had Paul used "foreknew" before in Romans (hint: read chapter 8) and what was it linked to in that former use that has relevance for his use of it in Rom 11:2?
4. Who then has God not rejected?
5. Describe the relevant elements of the story of Elijah from 1 Kings 18 - 19.
6. What is revealed about God in His "passing by" (19:11) Elijah accompanied by "a great and strong wind", "an earthquake", and "a fire" none of which God was in; while God did speak to him in "a voice"? How is this similar to what we saw last week in Psalm 19? What significance might it have carried for Paul in Rom 11 and for us as we seek to know God?
7. In verse 5, Paul draws a likeness between the way it was with Israel in Elijah's day and the way it was with Israel in Paul's time. What is that likeness? Both in Elijah's day and Paul's there was...?
8. What is a remnant? According to verse 5 how was it and how was it not constituted/determined?
9. **Community Group Focus Question: What is the significance of the fact that in Elijah's day and in Paul's God has kept for Himself a remnant of people from within Israel?**

Community Life

- Happy Father's Day!
- Pray and talk about how we are to participate with what God is doing in this season of redemptive history?

Next Week: Romans 11:7ff

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Has God Rejected Israel?

"I HAVE KEPT for Myself SEVEN THOUSAND MEN WHO HAVE NOT BOWED THE KNEE TO BAAL." In the same way then, there has also come to be at the present time a remnant according to *God's* gracious choice.

Rom 11:4b-5

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Has God Rejected Israel?

Romans 11:1-6

- I. Understanding the Question
- II. The Simple Answer
- III. The Answer Explained

What transformative truth is the Holy Spirit leading you to in this passage?