

**Restoring The Broken Branches
(Romans 11:23)**



I. Wrong Attitudes

A. Replacement Theology

B. History



1. The Crusades

Thousands of Muslims and Jews killed in the name of Christ

2. Inquisitions

Forced conversion of Jews led to thousands being killed



3. Martin Luther wrote "The Jews and Their Lies" in 1543

4. 1800s in Russia, the Russian Orthodox Church tried forced conversions also.

Led to pogroms

5. WWII – Holocaust, Hitler quoted Luther
Nazi soldiers said "you killed our god, now we kill you".



Wrong Theology

"Dual Covenant" – Jews don't need to know Yeshua to be saved, they are under a different covenant

Jew and Gentile saved the same way – Romans 1:16



Look at the Bible:

Yeshua spoke to a Pharisee (Nicodemus) – John 3:5

He was speaking to a Jewish audience in John 14:6 and said He is the only way to the Father

Peter and John stood before the Jewish leaders (Sanhedrin) and said there is no other name ... (Acts 4:12)



Shimon (Peter) preached and three thousand people believed in Yeshua as Messiah

Another two thousand in Acts 3 plus those God added daily

All were Jewish

Cornelius (Acts 10) – 10 years later



II. The Call To Restore the Branches

A. God's heart for Jewish Salvation

Romans 9:1-4a

I speak the truth in Christ — I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit— 2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, 4 the people of Israel.

Romans 10:1 Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.



Bible was given by inspiration of the Holy Spirit (2 Timothy 3:16)



B. Israel's Need

Romans 10:12-15

12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. 13 For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." 14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"



Isaiah 52:7 How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" NIV



C. The Imperative

"Why is it so important for Jews to come to faith?"

1. Their national calling – only nation with it in the Bible.



Isaiah 43:10-13

You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor will there be one after me. 11 I, even I, am the Lord, and apart from me there is no saviour. 12 I have revealed and saved and proclaimed — I, and not some foreign god among you. You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "that I am God. 13 Yes, and from ancient days I am he. NIV

Isaiah 44:8 Do not tremble, do not be afraid. Did I not proclaim this and foretell it long ago? You are my witnesses. Is there any God besides me? No, there is no other Rock; I know not one." NIV

Calling is still valid: Romans 11:28-29

28 Concerning the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but concerning the election they are beloved for the sake of the fathers. 29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. NKJV

Highest covenant – Marriage

Mark 12:27 He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living.

2. World revival

Romans 11:13-15

13 I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry 14 in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. 15 For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

3. The Lord's return

Matthew 23:39 "For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

D. Our Responsibility

1. Make them jealous

Romans 11:11 I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke them to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles. NKJV

Hosea 2:23 Then I will say to those who were not My people, 'You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!'

Zechariah 2:11 "Many nations will be joined with the Lord in that day and will become my people. I will live among you and you will know that the Lord Almighty has sent me to you.

We need to show a different face, the true face of Messiah to them

Jewish theology – Israel saved then God will reach the Gentiles, but God did not wait for them.

2. Same Tree

Romans 11:16-24 – Jews and Gentile are branches on the same tree; God's Kingdom

Jews natural branches – some broken off due to unbelief.

Gentiles – in-grafted branches

God will graft the naturals branches back when they come to faith

We are "Mischpochah" – family
They are the older brother



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