God At Work

### Discovering the Righteousness of God—A study in the book of Roman

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## Romans 10:21-11:10 (ESV)

 But of Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people." (*Isaiah 65:2*)

 1 I ask, then, **has God rejected his people? By no means**! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2 **God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew**. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? 3 "Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life." 4 But what is God's reply to him? "I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal." (*1 Kings 19:14-18*)

5 So too at the present time **there is a remnant, chosen by grace**. 6 But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.

7 What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. **The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened**,

8 as it is written,

 “God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears

 that would not hear, down to this very day.” (*Deut. 29:3/Isaiah 29:10*)

9 And David says,

 “Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a

 retribution for them; 10 let their eyes be darkened so that they

 cannot see, and bend their backs forever.” (*Ps. 69:21-23*)

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**1) God has not rejected the**

 **A) God has graciously chosen some.**

  **B) God has justly hardened others.**

* Do not assume God has rejected an entire group of people
* Pointing to Jesus works—because God is at work.
* Do not ever assume that those whose hearts God has hardened will always be hardened.