

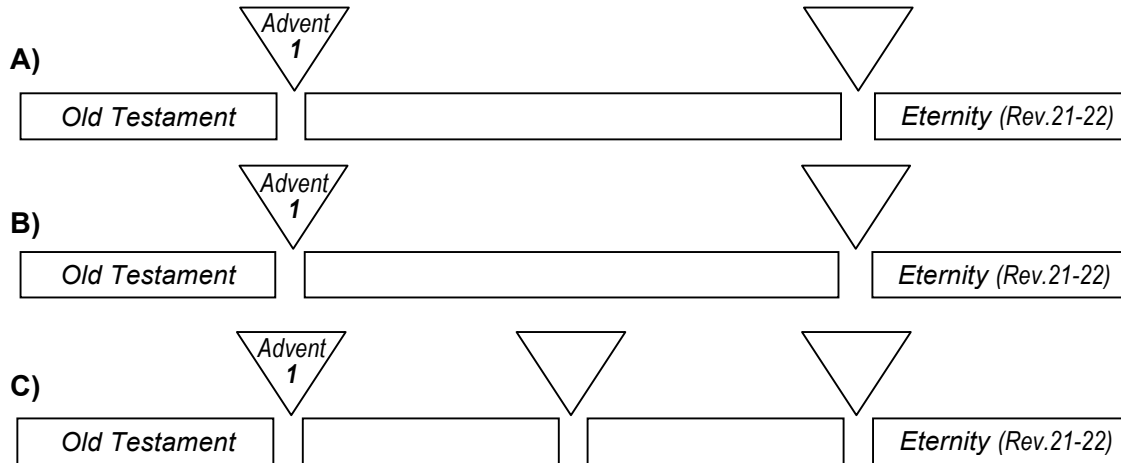
EVANGELISM[&]

THE END OF THE WORLD

Election and God's Future for Israel
ROMANS 11:23-36

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* Revelation 20:1-10...



1. Envision _____ (vv.23-29)

v.23 (Future)→

v.24 (Future)→

v.25 (Now) →

v.26 (Future)→

v.27 (Future)→

v.28 (Now) →

v.29 (Now) →

2. Anticipate _____ (vv.30-32)

3. Worship _____ (vv.33-36)

23 And even they, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again.

24 For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree. **25** Lest you be wise in your own sight, I want you to understand this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. **26** And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob";

27 "and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins." **28** As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. **29** For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. **30** For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, **31** so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. **32** For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all. **33** Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" **35** "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" **36** For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. (ESV)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Ezekiel 37:1-14**. Why do you think these kinds of astoundingly hopeful prophecies about Israel, might be difficult for Jews to put their confidence in through the centuries?
2. Read **2 Peter 3:1-8**. What is the basis for the ridicule of the scoffers in this passage and what is the logic of the Apostle's response?
3. What are some of the things that have caused you to doubt God's promises and what are some of the best encouragements to you that God will keep all of his end-time promises?
4. Read **Romans 11:30-32** and **Ephesians 1:3-5**. Why do you think a focus on the mercy and grace of God is so central from eternity's perspective?
5. Why does this kind of doxology in **Romans 11:33-36** seem like such a fitting conclusion to this complex section of Romans (chps.9-11)?
6. These past seven sermons were entitled "Evangelism & The End of the World." How should all of this recent material motivate you to make evangelism more of a priority?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (*Reading Plans: Through the Bible*) for schedule prompts.

October 31st

Jer.29-30 & Titus 1

November 1st

Jer.31-32 & Titus 2

November 2nd

Jer.33-35 & Titus 3

November 3rd

Jer.36-37 & Phile.

November 4th

Jer.38-39 & Heb.1

November 5th

Jer.40-42 & Heb.2

November 6th

Jer.43-45 & Heb.3

November 7th

Jer.46-48 & Heb.4

For sermons on MP3 go to FPR.info. The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 1030 – **Modern Israel and Our Jewish Messiah**

CD # 1031 – **Looking to the End as a Humble Gentile**

CD # 0772 – **A Study of Daniel's 70-Weeks Prophecy**

CD # 9728 – **A Kingdom Compendium**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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