

## 20. Romans

### \*Romans 11; Mystery of Israel's salvation (11:25-32)

- "For I do not want you, brethren, to be uniformed of this mystery – so that you will not be wise in your own estimation - that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; and so all Israel will be saved" (11:25-26; 2 Corinthians 3:14). The partial hardening to Israel will remain until the "fullness of the Gentiles has come in". This "fullness of the Gentiles" will likely occur at the second coming of Christ, when the Jewish remnant will be saved. Zechariah describes the house of David mourning, as one mourns for an only son when the Messiah returns (Zech 12:10-14). Luke says, "Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled" (Luke 21:24). The Gentiles will take control of Jerusalem during the second half of the Tribulation. The "times of the Gentiles" will apparently end at the second coming of Christ, following the war of Armageddon. This probably coincides with the "fullness of the Gentiles".