

Here are some questions to consider as you study Romans 11:25–32:

- What does v25 tell us about God’s sovereignty in the salvation of Jews and Gentiles? How should we interpret v26 in light of this difficult truth?
- How do we know, based on vv26–27, that not every ethnic descendant of Abraham “will be saved”? What does this imply about the nature of who true Israel is?
- Consider v29. Who is this passage referring to? (The gifts and calling of God...to whom?) How is this passage encouraging to you?
- What about v32? How does this verse bring a conclusion to Paul's thoughts in chapter 11? How does this stand in contrast to popular modern-day conceptions of who God is and how he interacts with people?
- Go ahead and read vv33–36. In the end, after all the challenging things Paul’s said, this is where he leaves the matter. Is his conclusion satisfying to you? Is it just “fatalism”? Why or why not? How can we tune our hearts to be more like Paul’s here?