



Logos Class

Book of Romans Ch 11

Class for Oct 18, 2026

Rooms 123/124 Adult Ed Building

Before we get started

- ✓ *Services for Dorothy and Bill were beautiful and very uplifting*
 - ✓ *Pray for Dorothy's family...Kelli and Kurt and their families*
 - ✓ *Pray for Marian and their family*
- ✓ *Randy will give us a trip report from mission trip to Guatemala*







Class Schedule for the next few weeks

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| ✓ Oct 4, 2026. | Romans Ch 9 |
| ✓ Oct 11, 2026 | Romans Ch 10 |
| ✓ Oct 18, 2026 | Romans Ch 11 |
| ✓ Oct 25, 2026 | Romans Ch 12 |

Calendar note: Logos Class Christmas Party – Hold Dec 12

Quick Update ...ICYMI

Middle East

- *Israel continues its efforts against Hezbollah, and Hamas, and internal terrorism*
- *Heavy-duty sanctions on Iran and those who support them; back and forth with attacks*
- *Houthis, with Iranian backing, attacking Saudi Arabia. Major airport damage from rockets*
- *Iras spreading its terrorism across the Mid East, Europe, and America*
- *Expect some terror act before Elections in Israel or the US*

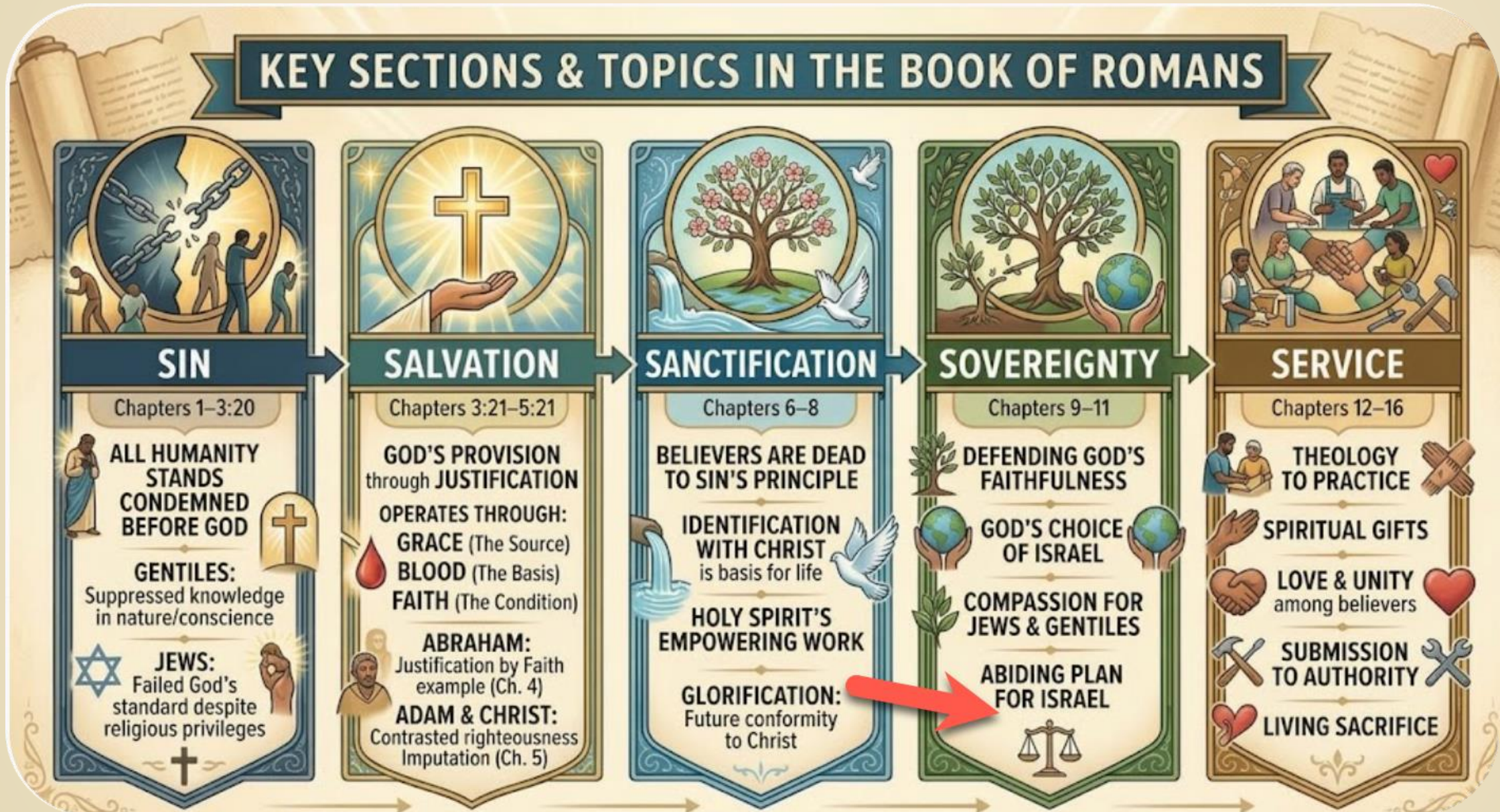
US/Worldwide

- *The Russia-Ukraine war is hard to understand where we are...*
- *European countries are on fire...France, Spain, UK,. Rioters are everywhere. Massive destruction by immigrants against institutions sowing chaos*
- *US has levied major sanctions against the International Criminal Court for its anti Israel and anti US stances and policies*

Prophetic signs from the Tribulation are casting shadows on today, at an ever-increasing rate.

Elections – *both in Israel and the US will determine the direction our countries take in the ongoing battles against the One World movements. These are critical, so get out and vote...take a friend*

Today we will complete the Sovereignty Section



Romans Chs 9-11 Overview

Paul ended Ch 8 with a soaring promise:

³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*This raised a set of questions in the minds of the Romans, and in ours as well. **Romans 9-11** addresses these Q's, and they are as important for us as they were for them.*

***What about Israel?** They were God's chosen people. **Has he now "unchosen" them?** If God has given up on the Jews, what does it say about His promises to Christians?*

After all, the Jews rejected Jesus and even drove His crucifixion. Paul addresses these Qs and answers in Ch 9-11, and these chapters inform how we should understand God's plan today.

In Romans Ch. 10, we complete the Roman Road

Step	Verse References	Key Verses
1. The Problem of Sin	<u>Romans 3:23</u> <u>Romans 3:10–18</u>	“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”
2. Sin’s Consequence	<u>Romans 6:23</u>	“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”
3. God’s Solution	<u>Romans 6:23</u> <u>Romans 5:8</u>	“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”
4. Personal Response	<u>Romans 10:9</u> <u>Romans 10:13</u>	“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
5. The Results of Salvation	<u>Romans 5:1</u> <u>Romans 8:1</u>	“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”

Here is how Paul finishes his Israel Discussion

- **God remains faithful to Israel.** *A believing remnant shows that God has not rejected his people; their place rests on grace, not entitlement.*
- **Israel's unbelief benefits the Gentiles.** *Gentile salvation is part of God's plan and is intended to move Israel toward repentance.*
- **The olive tree warns against pride.** *Gentile believers should honor their Jewish roots and recognize that continued membership among God's people depends on persevering faith.*
- **Israel's hardening is limited.** *Paul describes it as partial rather than total and temporary rather than permanent.*
- **"All Israel will be saved" has three main interpretations.**
 - *All Jewish believers throughout history.*
 - *A large turning of Jews to Jesus shortly before his return.*
 - *The complete people of God—Jewish and Gentile believers across all generations.*
- **The chapter ends in worship.** *Paul praises God's sovereignty and wisdom as revealed through salvation history.*

Romans Ch 11:1-6. The Remnant of Israel

11 I ask then: *Did God reject his people?* By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin.

2 God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew. Don't you know what Scripture says in the passage about Elijah—how he appealed to God against Israel:

3 *“Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me”?* (1Kings 19:10,14)

4 And what was God's answer to him? *“I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal.”* (1 Kings 19:18)

5 So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace.

6 And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.

Romans Ch 11:7-8

⁷ **What then?** *What the people of Israel sought so earnestly they did not obtain. **The elect among them did**, but the others were **hardened**,*

⁸ as it is written: (Deut. 29:4; Isaiah 29:10)

**“God gave them a spirit of stupor,
eyes that could not see
and ears that could not hear,
to this very day.”**

What does this mean? *It means that all those Jews who were looking forward to the Messiah coming by faith, were always Gods. Those who just followed the law without faith, had their senses dulled (hardened) so that they could not see or hear the Messiah’s call...then and now.*

Romans Ch 11:9-10. A Paradox to consider

⁹ And David says: (Ps 69:22-23)

*“May their table become a snare and a trap,
a stumbling block and a retribution for them.*

*¹⁰ May their eyes be darkened so they cannot see,
and their backs be bent forever.”*

These verses represent a paradox but a useful comparison. The Table represents all the blessings from God to Israel. These blessings have been so numerous that the Jews were content and did not do what God called them to do. They also weren't just a hindrance but became a trap and stumbling block.

Sometimes the blessings make us complacent, and we enjoy them so much that we forget about God. Not just a Jewish problem, but one for all believers.



*Material provision and community fellowship—good things in themselves—
can become spiritual traps when they distract people from God's plan*

Romans Ch 11:11-14 Sovereignty and Envy

11 Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all!

Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious.

12 But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their full inclusion bring?

13 I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I take pride in my ministry

14 in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them.

Because God's plan cannot be thwarted, since the Jews failed to evangelize the Gentiles, God used that failure to open up the way to accomplish His plan using Paul to do it.

Romans Ch 11:15-18 Roots, Branches, Holiness

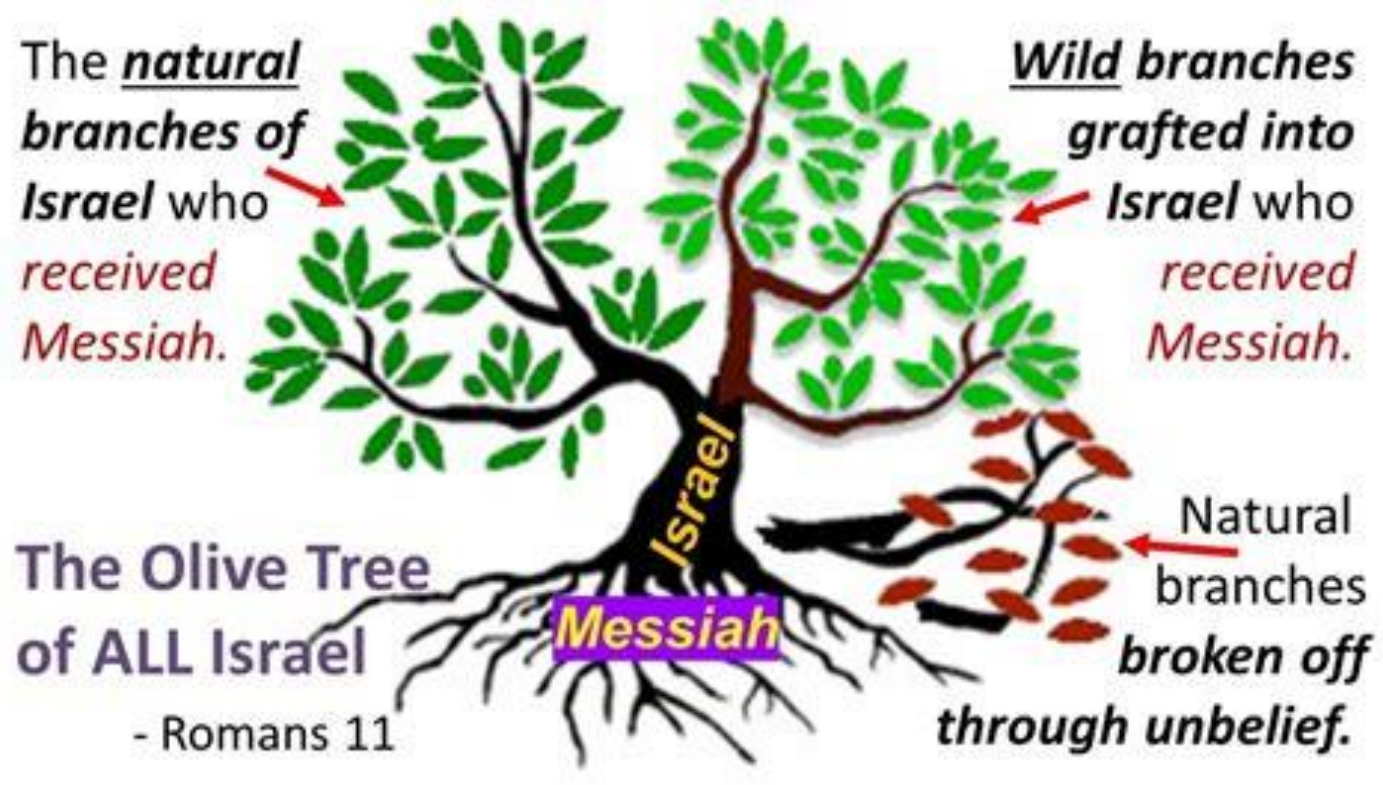
*¹⁵ For if their rejection brought reconciliation to the world, what will their acceptance be **but life from the dead?***

*¹⁶ If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; **if the root is holy, so are the branches.***

*¹⁷ **If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root,***

*¹⁸ do not consider yourself to be superior to those other branches. If you do, consider this: **You do not support the root, but the root supports you.***

Powerful Symbolism



- *Not just botanical, but anchors believers in Israel's covenantal promises.*
- *The Roots nourish all the branches, both the natural and grafted ones*
- *The Olive Tree is the National Symbol of Israel.*
- *In a spiritual sense, it is the symbol of God's Promises to His Covenantal people*

Romans Ch 11:19-24 Tree Husbandry 101

¹⁹ You will say then, “**Branches were broken off so that I could be grafted in.**”

²⁰ *Granted. But they were **broken off because of unbelief**, and you stand by faith. **Do not be arrogant, but tremble.***

²¹ *For if God did not spare the natural branches, he will not spare you either.*

²² **Consider therefore** the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off.

²³ *And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, **for God is able to graft them in again.***

²⁴ *After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree!*

Romans Ch 11:25-27. All Israel will be Saved

²⁵ Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers (and sisters): **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.”*

Romans Ch 11:28-32

*²⁸ As regards the **gospel, they are enemies 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.

Romans Ch 11:33-36 Doxology (Blessing)

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.***

Paul quotes several verses and ideas from Isa 40:13, and Job 35:7, but v 36 is direct from Paul. His blessing turns to Hebrew Poetry for the end of these thoughts

Romans 11: Israel and God's mercy

- **God has not rejected Israel.** Paul points to a faithful remnant whom God preserves by grace. ([Rom 11:1–12](#))
- **Israel's stumbling opens salvation to Gentiles.** Paul explains that this also aims to stir Israel's desire to share in salvation. ([Rom 11:1–12](#))
- **The olive tree illustrates shared blessing.** Gentiles join Israel's nourishing root. They must continue in faith, and God can restore Jewish branches when unbelief ends. ([Rom 11:17–26](#))
- **Israel's hardening is partial and temporary.** Paul looks ahead to the full number of Gentiles entering and declares that “all Israel will be saved.” ([Rom 11:17–26](#))
- **God's promises and mercy endure.** His gifts and calling remain irrevocable. Jews and Gentiles receive mercy, and Paul closes by praising God's unsearchable wisdom. ([Rom 11:28–36](#))

Next week

*We will pick up where we left off; **Read Romans Ch. 12***

➤ *Pray for our Nation and its leaders*

- *Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and Peace for Israel*
- *Pray for the end of the wars*

➤ *Pray for our State and its Leaders, **and the elections to come**, for God to give us Godly leaders*

➤ *Our Church, the Pastors and Leaders – safety and faithfulness*

➤ *Pray for the needs of our class members and families*

➤ *Pray for Comfort and Compassion for the Buchwalds, and Surls*

Thank God for his mercy and grace for each of us as we struggle with life. Pray that you will be empowered to turn over your life to righteousness

