

# God's Preserving Grace

Righteousness Revealed III #5 – Pastor Gary Combs – October 17, 2021 – Romans 11:1-10

Romans 11:1-10 (ESV) <sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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? <sup>3</sup> "Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life." <sup>4</sup> But what is God's reply to him? "I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal." <sup>5</sup> So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. <sup>6</sup> But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace. <sup>7</sup> What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, <sup>8</sup> 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." <sup>9</sup> And David says, "Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them; <sup>10</sup> let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and bend their backs forever."

## We can trust in God's preserving grace...

### 1. Because it moved Him to \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Corinthians 15:8-10, Luke 19:10, Romans 5:8, 1 John 4:19

### 2. Because it reveals how He \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Kings 19:14-18, John 10:27-30, Hebrews 13:5

### 3. Because it is the only way \_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 9:30-32, Isaiah, 29:10, Deuteronomy 29:4, Matthew 23:37, Psalm 146:8, John 9