

Stand in Awe of God!

Romans 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be **ignorant of this mystery**, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, **until** the **fulness of the Gentiles** be come in. 26 And so **all Israel shall be saved**: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: 27 For this *is* my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. 28 As concerning the gospel, *they are* enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, *they are* beloved for the fathers' sakes. 29 **For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.** 30 For as ye in times past have not believed **God**, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief: 31 Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy. 32 For **God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.** 33 O the **depth of the riches** both of the wisdom and knowledge of **God!** how **unsearchable are his**

judgments, and his ways past finding out! 34

For who hath known the mind of the **Lord?** or who hath been his counsellor? 35 Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? 36 For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.

1. God always keeps His Word 29 **For the gifts and calling of God *are* without repentance.** Hebrews 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was impossible for God to lie,* we might have a **strong consolation,** who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:
 - a. He did not set Israel aside permanently
 - i. His promises to Israel did not fail
 - ii. When He gave His gifts and callings to Israel He knew He would never change on that account
 - b. The God that called you and gave you the gift of eternal life will keep His Word
 - i. He will never leave us or forsake us Hebrews 13:5 *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be*

content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, **I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

- ii. He will be with us all the way through [Matthew 28:20](#) Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, **I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.** Amen.
- iii. We, His sheep, will never perish [John 10:27](#) My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: [28](#) And **I give unto them eternal life;** and they shall **never perish**, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand. [29](#) My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand. [30](#) I and *my* Father are one.
- iv. Nothing can separate us from the love of God [Romans 8:31](#) What shall we then say to these things? **If God be for us, who can be against us?** [32](#) He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? [33](#) Who shall lay any thing to the charge of **God's elect?** *It is God that justifieth.* [34](#) Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is Christ that died*, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even **at the right hand of God,**

who also **maketh intercession for us.** 35 Who shall **separate us from the love of Christ?** *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. 37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

v. He that started the good work in us will finish it
Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath **begun a good work in you will perform it** until the day of Jesus Christ:

c. He disciplines us because we are His **Hebrews 12:6** For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

2. He has mercy on all **32 For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.**
- a. The Jews did not deserve that God would ever choose them or use them
 - b. The Gentiles and the church do not deserve to be chosen of God or used of Him
 - c. God saw all under sin and in unbelief so that He could be the One who acted. **Galatians 3:22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.**
 - d. Every good thing that has happened in our lives is due to His grace and mercy
 - e. We are saved by grace with no works of our own
 - f. We are sanctified by grace with no works of our own
 - g. We are secure by grace with no works of our own
 - h. God found us all in a helpless condition so that He could show mercy on all.
3. He is beyond our understanding **33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his**

ways past finding out! 34 For who hath known the mind of the **Lord?** or who hath been his counseller? 35 Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? 36 For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.

a. No limits to God's knowledge 33 O the **depth of the riches** both of the wisdom and knowledge of **God!** how **unsearchable *are* his judgments,** and **his ways past finding out!**

- i. He knows all and sees all
- ii. He knows it before it happens
- iii. We are totally unable to understand Him **Isaiah 55:8**
For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, Neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the Lord. 9 For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are my ways higher than your ways, And **my thoughts than your thoughts.**

- iv. He knows what we are going to say before we say it
Psalm 139:4 *For there is not a word in my tongue, But, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether.*
- v. There is nothing hidden from Him **Hebrews 4:13** *Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.*
- vi. He has counted the hairs on our head **Matthew 10:30**
But the very hairs of your head are all numbered
- vii. He knows the end before the beginning **Isaiah 46:9**
Remember the former things of old: For I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,
10 *Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times the things that are not yet done, Saying, My counsel shall stand, And I will do all my pleasure:*
- b. No was before God or ever His equal **34** *For who hath known the mind of the **Lord?** or who hath been his counseller?*
 - i. We only know about God what He chooses to reveal
 - ii. We know God through His Word and the revelation of His Son Jesus

- iii. God is eternal-no beginning and no end
- iv. God has no needs--He is all self sufficient
 - 1. He didn't even need fellowship with man
 - 2. He doesn't need our money, our worship or anything else that we have
 - 3. We need Him but He doesn't need us
- v. He is the Lord, a king, ruler, owner, controller
- vi. No one can counsel Him because there are no others

Isaiah 44:8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: Have not I told thee from that time, And have declared *it?* ye are even my witnesses. **Is there a God beside me? Yea, there is no God; I know not any.**

- vii. Men make gods but they are but a joke **Isaiah 44:9**
They that make a graven image are all of them vanity; And their delectable things shall not profit; And they *are* their own witnesses; They see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed. **10 Who hath formed a god,** or molten a graven image *That is profitable for nothing?* **11** Behold, all his fellows shall be **ashamed:** And the workmen, they *are* of men: Let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; *Yet*

they shall fear, *and* they shall be **ashamed** together. 12

The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals,
And fashioneth it with hammers, And worketh it with
the strength of his arms: Yea, he is hungry, and his
strength faileth: He drinketh no water, and is faint. 13

The carpenter stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it
out with a line; He fitteth it with planes, and he
marketh it out with the compass, And maketh it after
the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man;
That it may remain in the house. 14 He heweth him
down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak,
Which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of
the forest: He planteth an ash, and the rain doth
nourish *it*. 15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: For he
will take thereof, and **warm himself**; Yea, he kindleth
it, and **baketh bread**; Yea, he **maketh a god**, and
worshippeth it; He maketh it a graven image, and
falleth down thereto. 16 He **burneth part** thereof in
the fire; **With part** thereof he eateth flesh; He roasteth
roast, and is satisfied: Yea, he warmeth *himself*, and
saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire: 17 And the

residue thereof he **maketh a god**, *even* his graven image: **He falleth down** unto it, and **worshippeth it**, and **prayeth** unto it, And saith, Deliver me; **for thou art my god.** 18 They have not known nor understood: For he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; *And* their hearts, that they cannot understand. 19 And none considereth in his heart, **Neither is there knowledge nor understanding** to say, **I have burned part of it in the fire; Yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten it: And shall I make the residue thereof an abomination?** Shall I fall down to the stock of a tree? 20 He **feedeth on ashes**: A deceived heart hath turned him aside, That he cannot deliver his soul, nor say, **Is there not a lie in my right hand?** 21 Remember these, O Jacob And Israel; for thou *art* my servant: **I have formed thee;** thou *art* my servant: O Israel, **thou shalt not be forgotten of me.** 22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy

transgressions, And, as a cloud, thy sins: Return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.

- c. No can ever think that God owes them **35 Or who hath **first** given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?**
 - i. The key word is first
 - ii. If you have given to God it was after He gave to you
 - iii. God doesn't owe you anything
 - iv. Your life is in His hand
 - v. You should never think that no matter what you do that He owes you
 - vi. All we ever do is in response to what He has already done
 - vii. He is first. We are second. We respond because He made us
- d. Everything is all about Him **36 For **of** him, and **through** him, and **to** him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen**
 - i. Everything on this planet is His **Colossians 1:16 For **by** **him** were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all**

things were created **by him, and for him:** 17

And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

- ii. He is worthy to be praised by His creation. We stand in awe **Revelation 4:11** **Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.**
- iii. He gets all glory for making us
- iv. He gets all glory for saving us
- v. He gets all glory for making us holy
- vi. We know that He is big and we are small
- vii. He is first and we are last

- We stand in awe of the great God of the universe
- He can be trusted
- He keeps His Word
- He saves us when we do not deserve it
- He made it all, knows it all, does it all.
- He made us, we didn't make Him