## THE MEANING OF ROMANS 11:7

The elect are the chosen. The chosen are all those who seek God and find God through faith in Jesus. God chose before the foundation of the world, before creation, that whosoever will cooperate with Holy Spirit conviction and allow the Spirit to bring them to saving faith in Jesus will have eternal life. Some of Israel had the receptive mind to come to salvation and eternal life. Many remained hard of heart and unwilling to cooperate with their Holy Spirit wrought conviction and with hardness of heart kept seeking God their own way. Those with hardness of heart have eyes that cannot see and ears that cannot hear. Like Pharoah, many harden their own hearts and fail to come to repentance. God is willing to save but they are unwilling to come God's Way, through Jesus Christ.

The chosen of God, the elect of God, are the corporate, cooperators with the Spirit who are "in Christ." Ephesians 1:4 He chose us "in Him" before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight. The chosen "in Him" are the corporate, cooperators with the Spirit who have the readiness of mind to receive Christ as Lord and Savior.

What Israel has been seeking, it has not obtained, but the <u>election has obtained it</u>, and the rest were blinded. Romans 11:7

The election has obtained eternal life. The election is God's choice to give eternal life to all who are "in Christ." All who come to Christ by cooperation with the Holy Spirit power become part of the elect.

The <u>condition upon an individual</u> for salvation is to have the readiness of mind and the willingness to be led to saving faith in Jesus.

God commands and implores all men to believe in Jesus and receive eternal life.

2 Peter 3:9 Come to repentance. Matthew 11:28 Come to Me and I will give you rest.

Revelation 22:17 Come and take of the water of life freely.

1 Timothy 4:10 God is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe in Jesus.

Romans 10:9 Believe in Jesus and call upon Him for salvation.

GOD DOES NOT UNCONDITIONALLY ELECT ANY INDIVIDUAL TO ETERNAL LIFE.

The only person saved at the Cross of Jesus was the person who met the condition for being elect.

## HOW GOD CONDEMNED SIN TO THE UTMOST

God allowed His Son to be killed by sin itself through all sin coming against Jesus' physical body. Isaiah 53:6 Matthew 21:33-41 Isaiah 53:5 Matthew 12:40

By sin killing the sinless Son of God, sin is condemned to execution, extermination, and extinction.

Romans 8:3 Revelation 20-22 Romans 6:11-14

Jesus is highly exalted by His resurrection, ascension, and being worshiped by the court of Heaven for being the Lamb slain and worthy of all judgment. Revelation 5:9 John 5:22-23 Philippians 2:10-11

Jesus arose from the dead with all authority and power in heaven and earth to make new creations of all who will cooperate with conviction of sin initiated by the Holy Spirit and believe in Jesus.

John 16:8 Matthew 28:18-20 2 Corinthians 5:16,17 John 3:3; 11:25-26 Romans 8:9-11

HOW DID GOD CONDEMN SIN TO THE UTMOST?

HOW IS JESUS EXALTED TO THE UTMOST?

JESUS AROSE WITH ALL POWER AND AUTHORITY IN WHAT REALM?

## GOD LOVES US AND GOD KNOWS THAT SIN HURTS US TERRIBLY

God has condemned sin since the beginning of creation. The greatest condemnation of sin happened at the Cross of Jesus. God allowed sin to kill the physical human body of Jesus, the eternal Son of God. Sin was condemned to the utmost because Jesus was holy, innocent, and sinless. Sin is sentenced to execution, extermination, and extinction. Since the crucifixion of Jesus, God the Father has highly exalted Jesus by His resurrection, His ascension, and His building of the Church. All power, authority, and judgment has been given to Jesus over heaven and earth. Every knee will ultimately bow to Jesus.

In the Bible, God has given humanity a description of His design for living. God has told us that we are broken because of our sin. And God has given us the solution for our brokenness. Jesus can make you a new creation. The Holy Spirit of God will convict you of your sin and your need of Jesus to overcome sin in your life if you cooperate with Him. You must believe Jesus and receive Him into your life. Jesus

will restore His design for your life if you follow His directions. The death of sinless Jesus gave Him the right as a man to save us from sin by making us new creations in Him. Whosoever will call upon Jesus

to give new life in Him will be saved from sin.

Evangelists often damage God's message by using unbiblical ideas to appeal to man's humanistic

persuasions.

Truth is compromised when evangelists say that God the Father punished Jesus at the Cross in order to

pay for our sin. Some evangelists say that God cannot forgive us unless Jesus is punished to pay our sin

debt. Or that God must be appeased of His wrath toward us by killing His Son in our place. These false

descriptions of the substitutionary work of Christ are damaging to the unbeliever and to the born

again believer.

The truth is that Jesus is humanity's God-given Substitute for Adam so that sin and death can be

defeated. When a person places his life in the hands of Jesus to save from sin, Jesus becomes that

person's new Adam and new Lord. Jesus is the new Adam of the new creation in Christ. Romans 5

The mystery of the ages is: Christ in you, the hope of glory. Colossians 1:27