

## Ingrafted Branches - Romans 11:11-24

**Topics:** Attitude, Faith, Grace, Humility, Repentance, Salvation, Spiritual Rebirth

### Open It

1. What is your favorite fruit? Why?
- \* 2. What success have you had with gardening?

### Explore It

3. What hope do the Jews ever have of recovering their relationship with God? (11:11)
4. How have Gentiles been helped by the Jews' rejection of God's salvation plan? (11:11-12)
5. What will be an even greater result than just the response of the Gentiles to God's plan? (11:12)
6. How did Paul hope his own Jewish people would respond when they saw him ministering to the Gentiles? (11:13-14)
7. What did Paul imagine the response of the Jews to God could bring to the world? (11:15)
- \* 8. What long illustration did Paul use to describe the situation of the Jews and Gentiles? (11:16-24)
- \* 9. To what did Paul liken the Gentiles? (11:17)
10. Why do we need to be careful not to boast that God has reached out to us? (11:18)
11. To whom does God show severity and kindness? (11:22)
- \* 12. What is promised to Jews who do not persist in unbelief? (11:23)

### Get It

- \* 13. What lessons can we draw from Paul's analogy of the olive tree?
14. How would the repentance of Israel affect the world?
15. What is significant about the fact that the Jews have stumbled but not fallen?
16. How could the kind of envy Paul described help lead a person to Christ?
17. For what reasons could a Gentile be tempted to feel superior to a Jew?
- \* 18. What attitude should we have toward the fact that God has chosen to reach out to us?
19. How could a person miss salvation by trusting in family background or heritage?

### Apply It

- \* 20. What can you do this week to acknowledge that you depend on God's kindness?
21. What can you do this week to share Christ with a friend who is separated from God?