

God's Providence

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A PROMISE CELEBRATED

Romans 11:25-36

²⁵ I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, ²⁶ and in this way all Israel will be saved. As it is written:

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Romans 11:25-36

*“The deliverer will come from Zion;
he will turn godlessness away from
Jacob. ²⁷ And this is my covenant with them
when I take away their sins.”*

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Romans 11:25-36

²⁸ As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies for your sake; but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs, ²⁹ for God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience,

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Romans 11:25-36

³¹ so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you. ³² For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

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Romans 11:25-36

33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! 34 “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”

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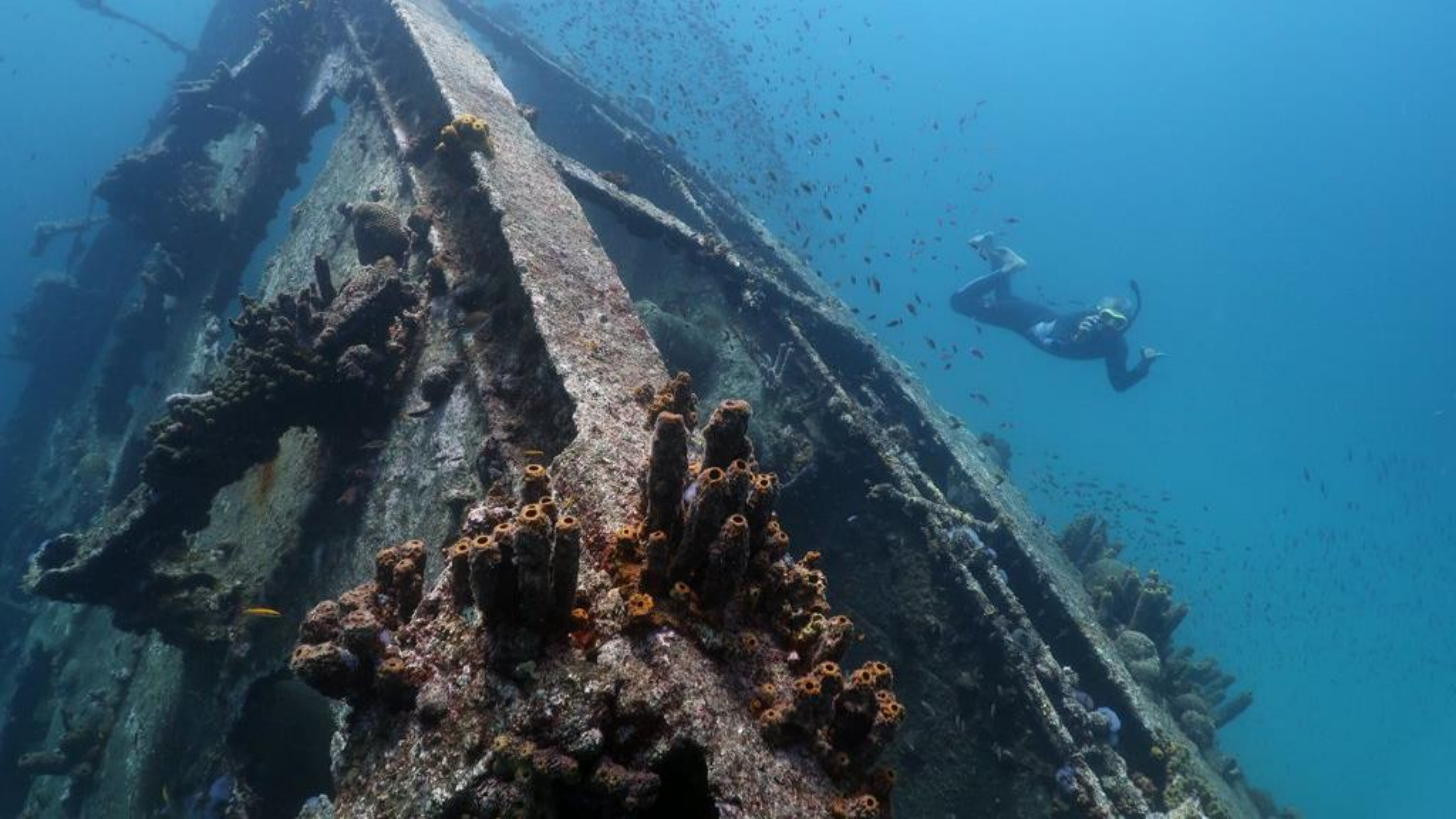
Romans 11:25-36

³⁵ “Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?” ³⁶ For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

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**How often do you
marvel?**

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Preaching Goal Today:

To bring us (by the Spirit through His Word) to marvel at the grandeur of God.

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Marveling at the Grandeur of God

#1 Why we need it

#2 How Paul experienced it

#3 Our response

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#1 Why We Need It

Our hearts were made
to worship.

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“It is inevitable that the human heart, which was made to be staggered by an infinitely untouchable, embracing God—it is inevitable that such a heart, drowning in the all-pervasive, blurry boredom of banal entertainment, will reach for the best buzz that life can give.”

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“The deepest cure to our pitiful addictions is to be intellectually and emotionally staggered by the infinite, everlasting, unchanging sovereignty, holiness, wrath, justice, wisdom, truth, and mercy of God.”

-John Piper.

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#2 How Paul experienced it

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Romans 11:25-26

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Romans 11:30-32

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Over the course of human history, God sovereignly acts in ways to maximize His display of mercy on both Jews and Gentiles so that no one can boast in human achievement but only in the glory of God.

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**The Epoch of Gentile Disobedience
and Jewish Mercy:**

Romans 11:30a

***Just as you who were at one time
disobedient to God...***

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The Epoch of Jewish Disobedience and Gentile Mercy:

Romans 11:30b

*...have now received mercy as a
result of their disobedience.*

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**The Epoch of God's Mercy to both Jews
and Gentiles:**

Romans 11:31

*So they too have now become
disobedient in order that they too may
now receive mercy as a result of God's
mercy to you.*

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Romans 11:32

For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

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#3 Our Response

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Marvel at His Boundless Depth:

Romans 11:33

*Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom
and knowledge of God!*

*How unsearchable his judgments,
and his paths beyond tracing out!*

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Marvel at His Boundless Depth:

Romans 11:33

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and knowledge of God!*

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Marvel at His Vast Wisdom

Romans 11:34

“Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”

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Marvel at His Abounding Grace

Romans 11:35

“Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?”

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Marvel at His Infinity Glory

Romans 11:36

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and for him are all things. To him
be the glory forever! Amen.*

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May our lives point to
the
GLORY OF GOD!

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