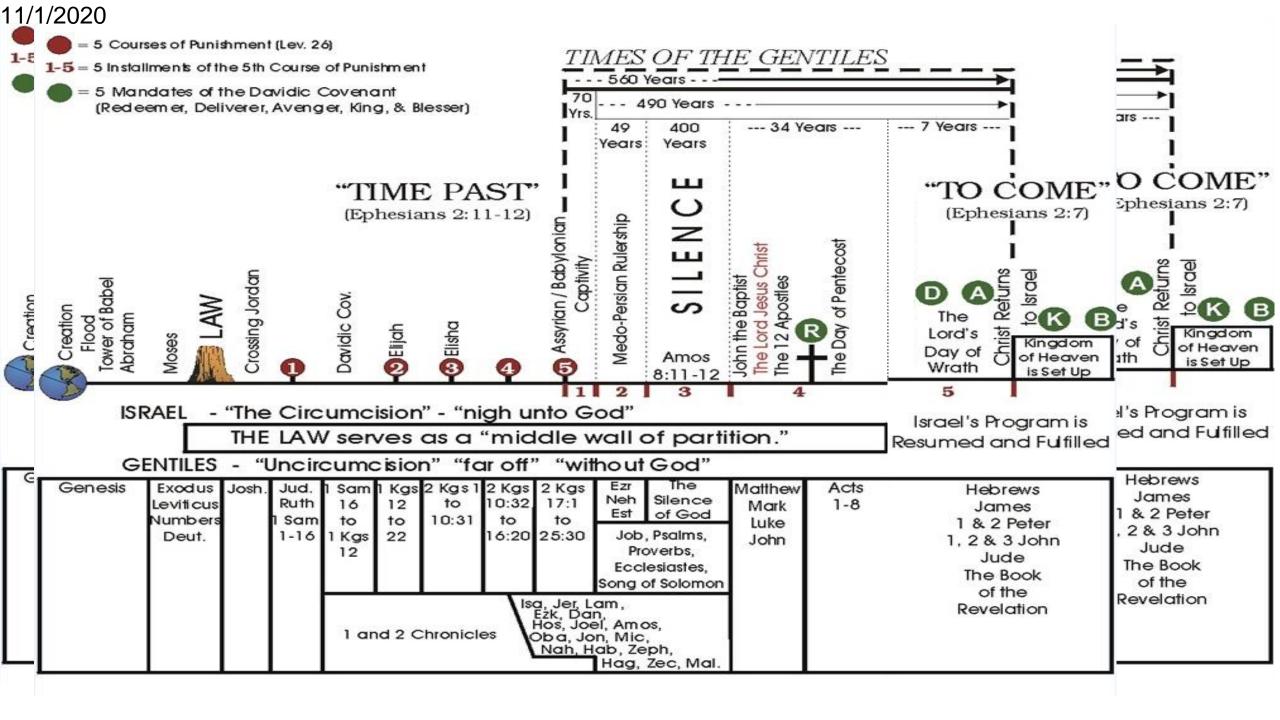
## Israel Is Without Excuse

## Rom. 10:14-21



- Rom. 10:14-15a: Paul picks up on Moses' warning back in vv. 6-7 and shows that the same error they made then is the same error they are making in Paul's day.
- 2. Moses taught them that when God sends a messenger with His Word they should receive it into a heart of faith—not question it, or say it is insufficient, or incomplete or hidden or deny it. Let it travel from the mouth to the heart in faith.
- But Israel was trying to excuse herself by saying that no one told them. They are still waiting for God to send someone to tell them
  - 4. Calling depends on believing and believing depends on hearing and hearing depends on God sending messengers (apostles) but God didn't do that.

- Rom. 10:15b: According to Is. 52:7, God said He would send a messenger with good news of peace and salvation for Israel when her Redeemer appeared—the 1<sup>st</sup> Coming of Jesus Christ.
- What Isaiah said to the Nation of Israel in Is. 52:7:
  How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that brins good tidings, that publishes peace; that brings good tidings of good, that publishes salvation.

7. How Paul quotes Is. 52:7 about the Nation of Israel in that day:

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him them that brings good tidings, that publishes peace; that brings good tidings of good, that publishes salvation.

- 8. The messengers God sent with Good News:
  - a. The Angel of the Lord (Lk. 2:8-20)
  - b. John the Baptist (Jn. 1:6-8; 3:28-34)
  - c. The Lord Jesus (Lk. 4:16-19; 8:1; Mat. 4:23; Jn. 3:17).
  - d. Peter and the 12 (Lk. 9:1-2; Mat. 10:5-7)
  - e. The 70 (Lk. 10:1-6)
  - f. The 12/The Believing Rem.: The 120 (Lk. 24:46-49; Jn. 20:21; Acts 1:15).
  - g. The 12/Believing Remnant: The THOUSANDS (Acts 11:19)

9. As if that wasn't enough, God out of His mercy, compassion and grace sent them the Apostle Paul during the Transition Period.

10.No, God was not remiss in sending messengers. Israel did not obey by receiving what they heard in faith but disobeyed by receiving it in unbelief (Rom. 10:17-18).

- 11. Moses and Isaiah told them centuries before what would happen if they heard but did not believe (Rom. 10:19-20).
  - a. Moses warned that God would provoke them to jealousy by using people they considered "no people" and a nation that they considered "foolish" (Deut. 32:21). This refers to the Believing Remnant of Israel, God's true Israel (Mat. 21:43; Rom. 9:6).
  - b. Isaiah warned that God would be found and manifested to those who didn't seek or ask for Him (Is. 65:1). This refers to Faith Righteousness—God didn't wait for rebellious Israel to seek or ask, He just sent His Word through all these messengers, but Israel didn't obey by believing His message.

12.In Rom. 11, Paul picks up on Moses' and Isaiah's terminology to explain what God was doing in that day during the Transition Period—the provoking to jealousy concept..

Checklist For Israel's Calling on the Lord Rom. 10:14-17	Status
God SENT His Word: Not just 1 messenger but many.	
God "published" or made His Word HEARD.	
Israel was to obey what they heard by BELIEVING it.	
Which would have resulted in Israel's national SALVATION.	