ROMANS 1:16

"I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile."

UNASHAMED: "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD?"

Romans 11:25-36

"This mystery" Formerly concealed, now revealed by God. The reality that both Jews and Gentiles – even after disobedience – are offered a place in the Kingdom

"So that you may not be conceited" It should always be humbling, never pride-producing

Israel's hardening is "in part," not the whole and is temporary, not permanent

"the full number of the Gentiles" The elect Gentiles

"All Israel"?

Recall 9:6, that "Not all who are descended from Israel are Israel."

Those saved will be the true children of Abraham, who come to God through faith in Jesus.

(John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Eph. 2:8-9; 1 Tim. 2:5)

See Isa. 59:20-21 "those who turn from transgression"

Our sin, which must be dealt with, is canceled in Christ. He is Messiah, the long-awaited Deliverer

See also Ezekiel 36:25-29

VSS. 28-29

"As far as the Gospel...Enemies" (See Phil 3:18-19)

"As election is concerned...Loved" Their enemy status is a temporary condition, for they are still God's chosen. (Plus, those broken off can still be grafted in - Vs. 23)

The calling and promise to the fathers (Abraham, Isaac and Jacob) is irrevocable, as it is rooted in the Unchanging God

VSS. 30-32

"At one time disobedient" See Eph. 2

As the elect Gentiles have received mercy, so shall the Jews as a result of their rejection and return

A demonstration of the mercy of God for sinful men

As Paul comes to the end of his explanation of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ – before he leads us into practical application of these truths – he pauses to look in awe and wonder at the majesty and glory of God, the brilliance of His plan, and the honor that is due Him alone.