

Romans # 147

**“God’s National Discipline  
in 5 Cycles”**

*Romans 11:1-2 Leviticus 26:14-39*

**If you had difficulty understanding Paul's arguments in Romans 1-8, how will you understand chapters 9-11?**

**God's operating through His second choice Gentile nations in order to bring about His purpose for mankind.**

He has no covenant with the Gentiles; the Roman Empire, the Frankish Empire, what’s known as the Holy Roman Empire, the British Empire or the USA.

*There is no covenant but God is using these nations to protect Israel and provide a base for missionary activity.*

But if Israel is distinct, then we can have a client nation existing at the same time as a covenant nation.

But for Israel throughout NT history when the Jews are in the land even as an independent nation, they’re still under the indirect blessing of Gentile nations!

**Israel has generally been under the control and dominance or at the mercy of Gentile powers and if there’s been any peace in Jerusalem it's been at the hands of a Gentile power and it will not end until the Second Advent of Jesus Christ.**

**The cycles of discipline are based on the principle that Jesus Christ controls history directly through the function of His own divine essence; indirectly through the function of the laws of divine establishment and permissively through permitting nations to use their own volition to destroy themselves.**

No nation is ever destroyed by an outside power before it is first destroyed from within by its own individual and collective bad decisions.

*Jesus Christ permits the policy of the angelic dispute (the function of free will) to continue and conclude in human history; therefore, Satan’s policy of human good and evil must exist in every generation because there must be a challenge to our attitude toward the Word of God.*

**The people of the nation will have a chance to respond to God in repentance after the first cycle has been administered.**

The people of the nation will have a chance to respond to God in repentance after the second cycle has been administered.

*The people of the nation will have a chance to respond to God in repentance after third cycle has been administered.*

The people of the nation will have a chance to respond to God in repentance after the fourth cycle has been administered.

**IT IS TOO LATE FOR THIS GENERATION TO REPENT, IT IS DESTROYED.**