

Remember Your (Jewish) Roots!
Romans 11:16-24
September 4, 2022

IV. Check Your _____ at the Door! (vv 16-24)

"For if the firstfruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches. And if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them, and with them became a partaker of the root and fatness of the olive tree, do not boast against the branches. But if you do boast, remember that you do not support the root, but the root supports you. You will say then, 'Branches were broken off that I might be grafted in.' Well said. Because of unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by faith. Do not be haughty, but fear. For if God did not spare the natural branches, He may not spare you either. Therefore consider the goodness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in His goodness. Otherwise you also will be cut off. And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again. For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, who are natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?" (Romans 11:16-24; NKJ)

A. Intentionally _____ your spiritual _____!

1. Remember your _____!

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2. Remember the " _____ " of our faith.

3. Remember those who _____ in your spiritual _____.

B. Guard against _____ towards those who _____.

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3. Look up to _____, not down at _____!

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4. Pray for the _____ of the _____ people to faith!

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"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn." (Malachi 12:10; NKJ)

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved." (Romans 10:1; NKJ)