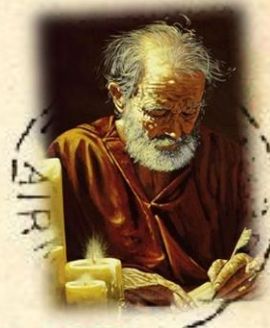


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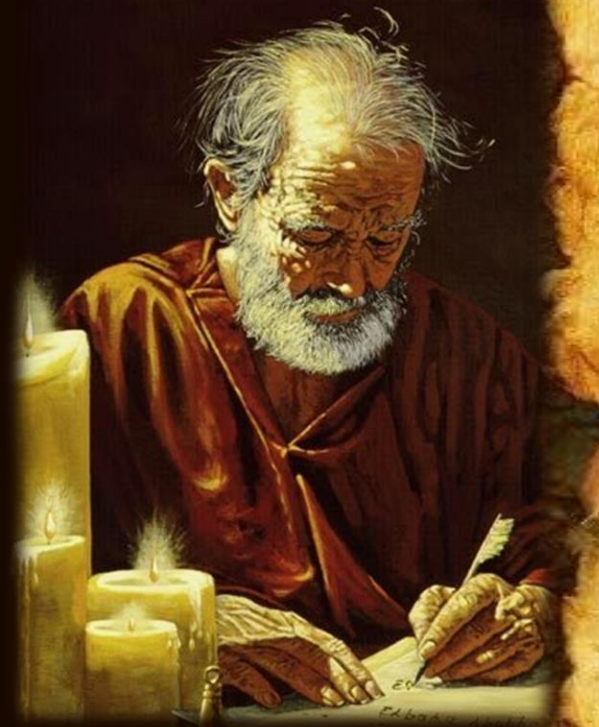


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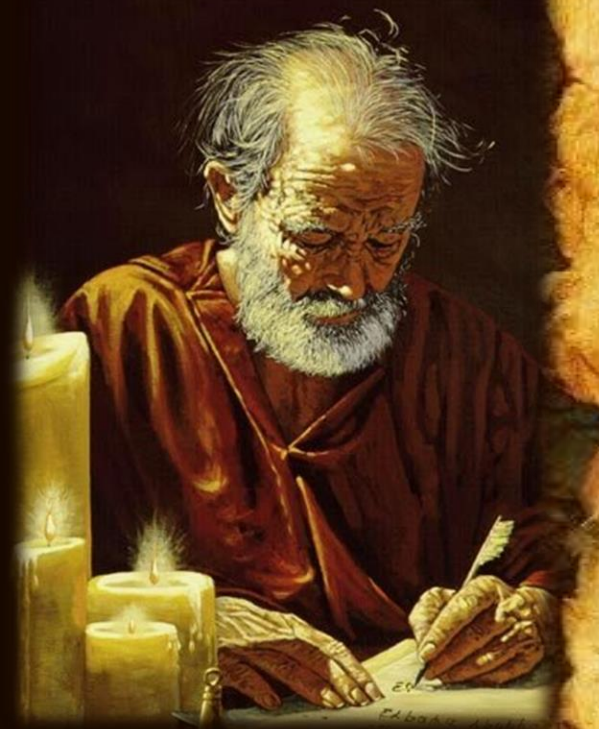
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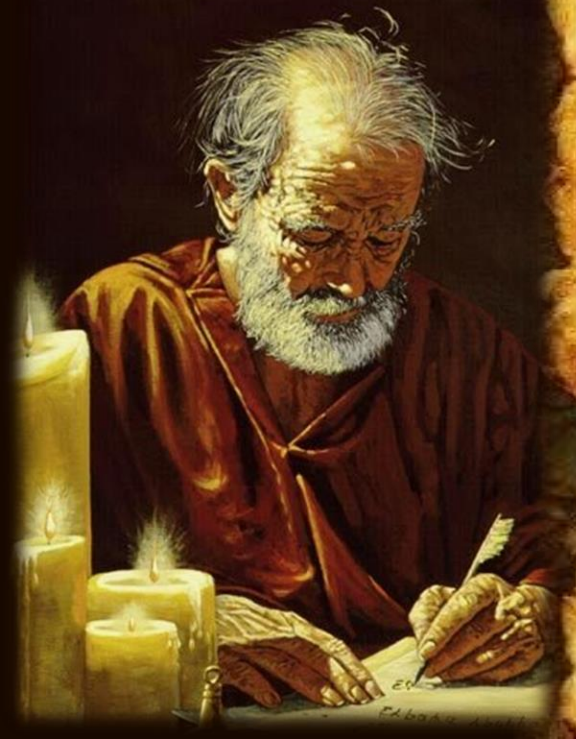
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For the LORD will not forsake his people
for his great name's sake: because it hath
pleased the LORD to make you his people.

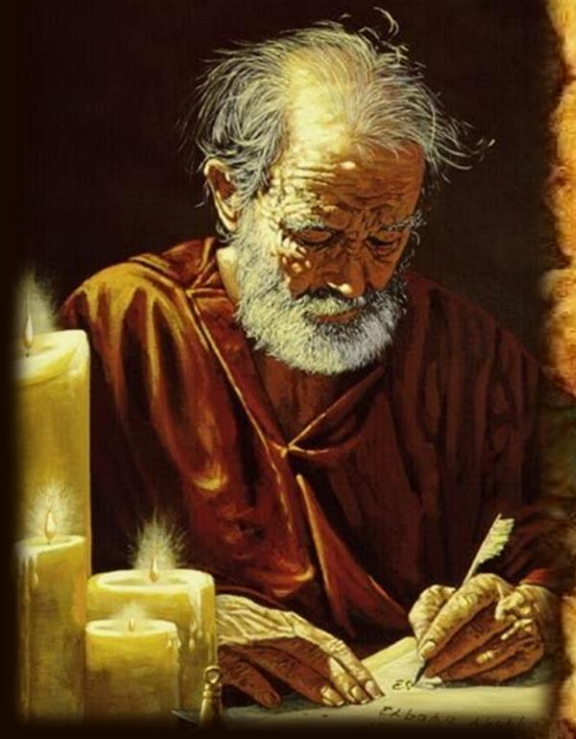
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For the LORD will not cast off his people,
neither will he forsake his inheritance.

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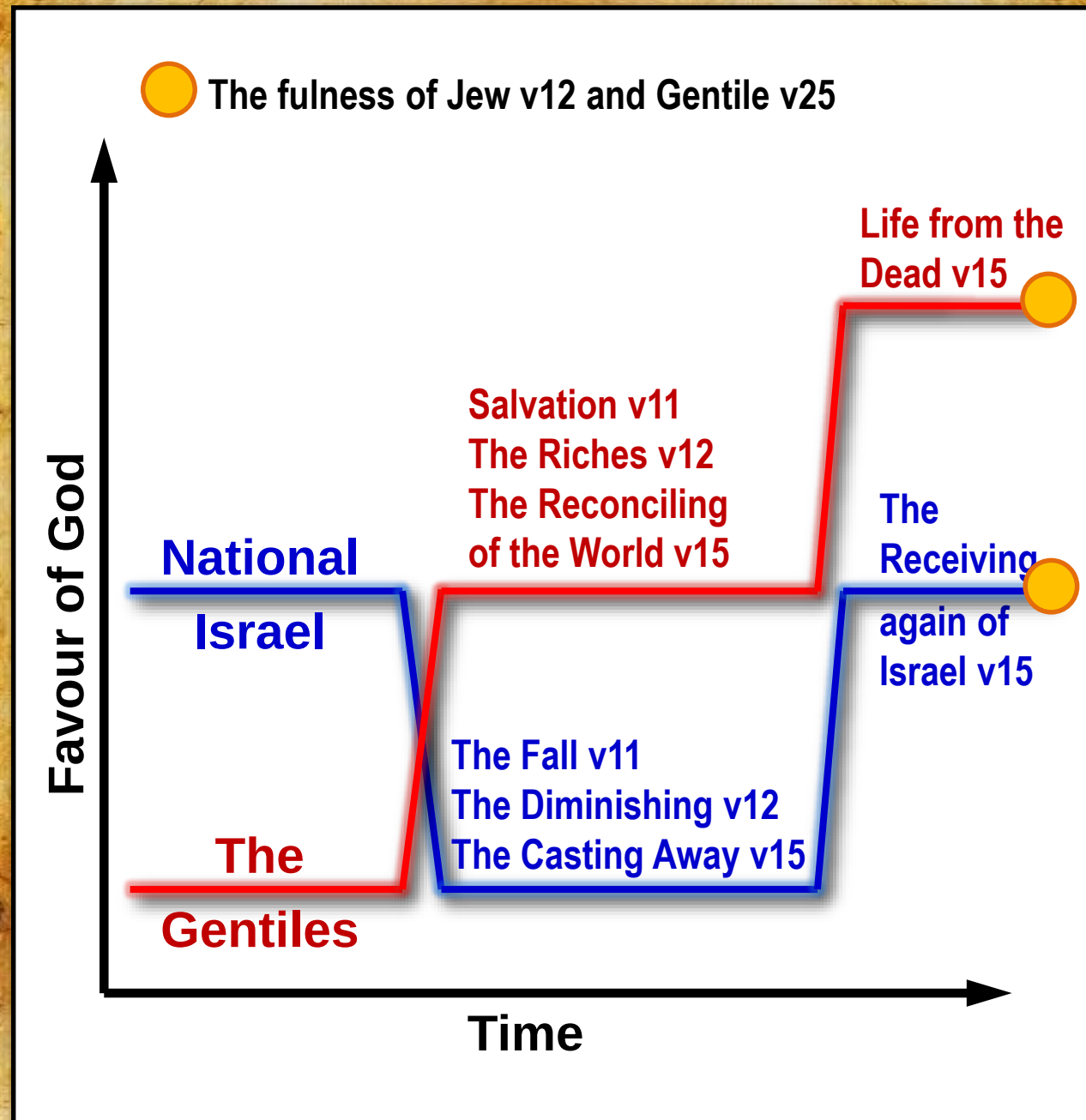
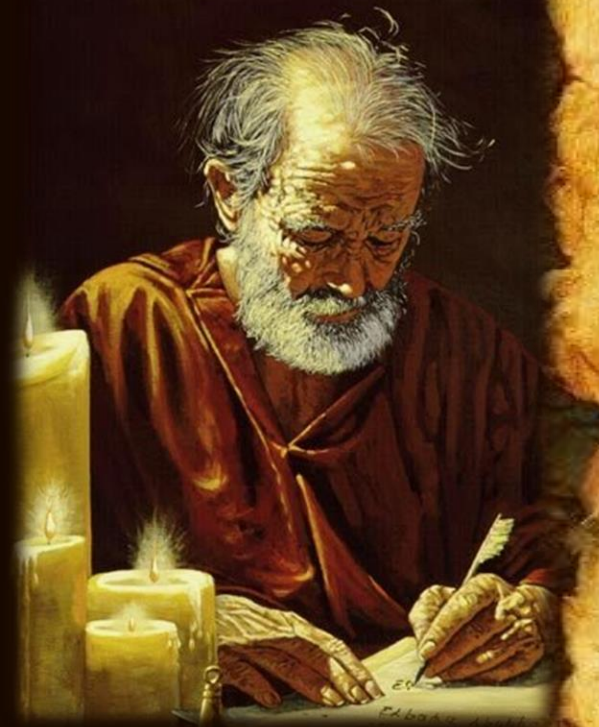
Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered.

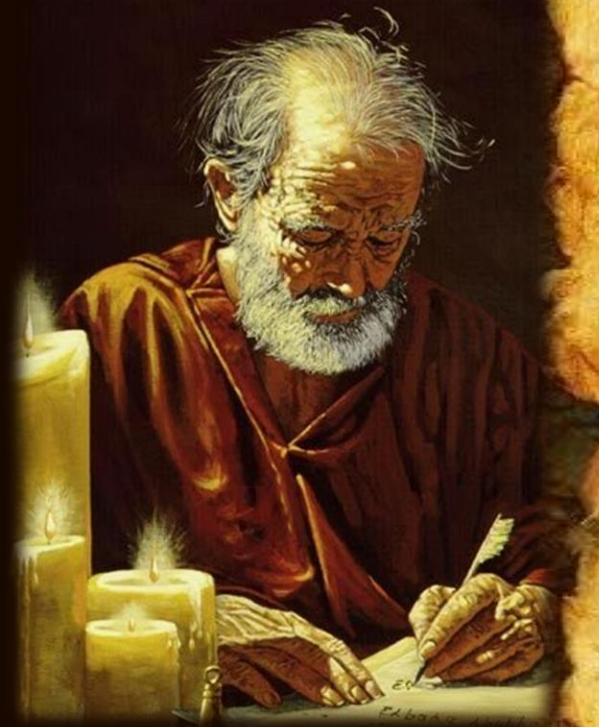
And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed.

Isa 29:9-11

The Fall of Israel



~~Israel~~ An Unwilling National Messiah



CHRIST Rom 5:10

For if, when we
were enemies

we were reconciled
to God
by the death of
His son,

much more,
being reconciled,
we are saved
by his life.

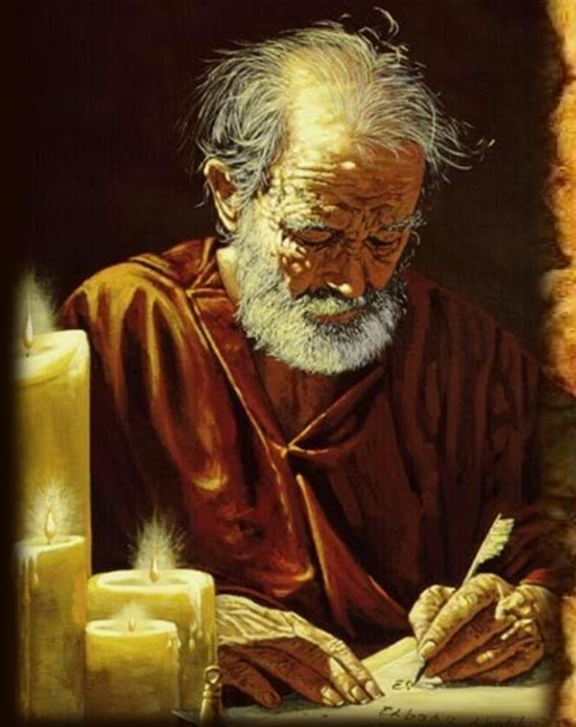
ISRAEL Rom 11:15

For if

the casting away
of Israel
be the reconciling
of the world

What shall the
receiving of them
be, but
Life from the dead

The Wild Olive

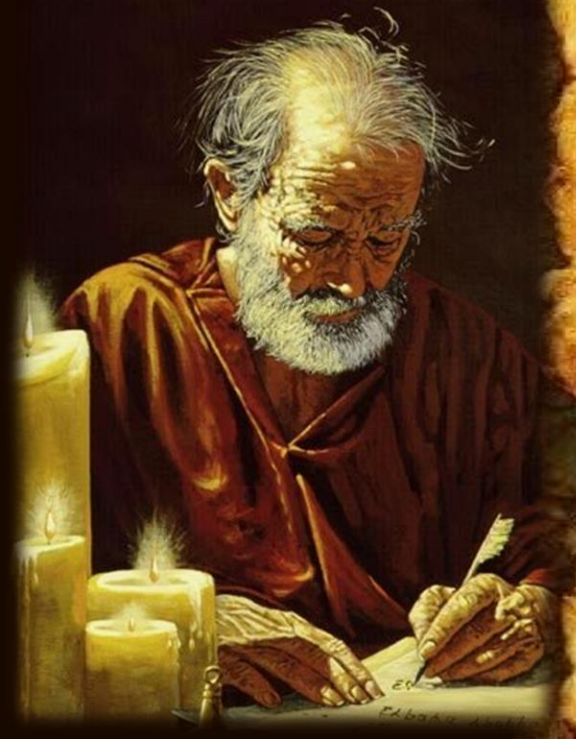


An ungrafted tree will never produce really good fruit, however noble be the stock from which it is derived. The Olive is grown from a shoot of a good tree, planted in well-prepared ground, carefully tended and treated. When the young tree is seven to ten years old, it is grafted with a shoot from the best stock procurable. The Wild-Olive plays no part whatsoever in the life of the ordinary Olive tree.

The process which Paul had in view is still in use **in exceptional circumstances** at the present day. It is customary to re-invigorate an Olive tree which is ceasing to bear fruit, by grafting it with a shoot of the Wild-Olive, so that the sap of the tree ennobles this wild shoot and the tree now again begins to bear fruit.

Paul's Letter to the Romans, John Carter, p124

The Mystery of Christ



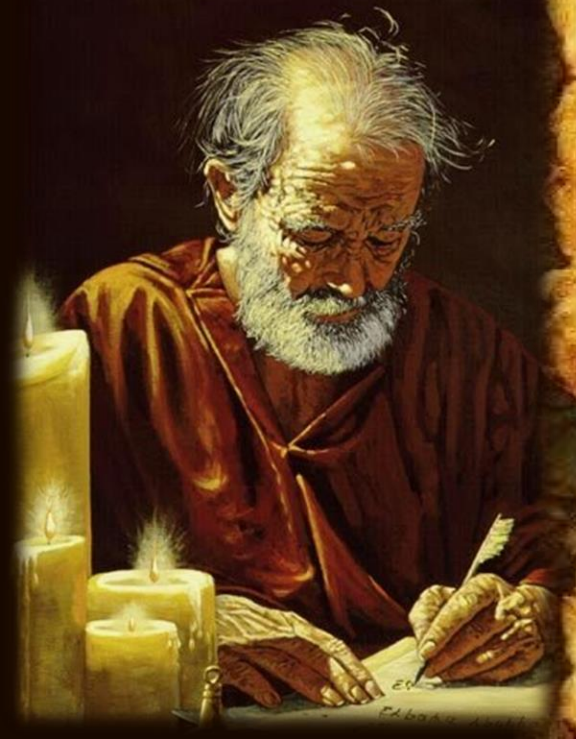
Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in **the mystery of Christ**,

Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.

Eph 3:4-6

The Wisdom of God



Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with a span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in the scales, and the hills in a balance?

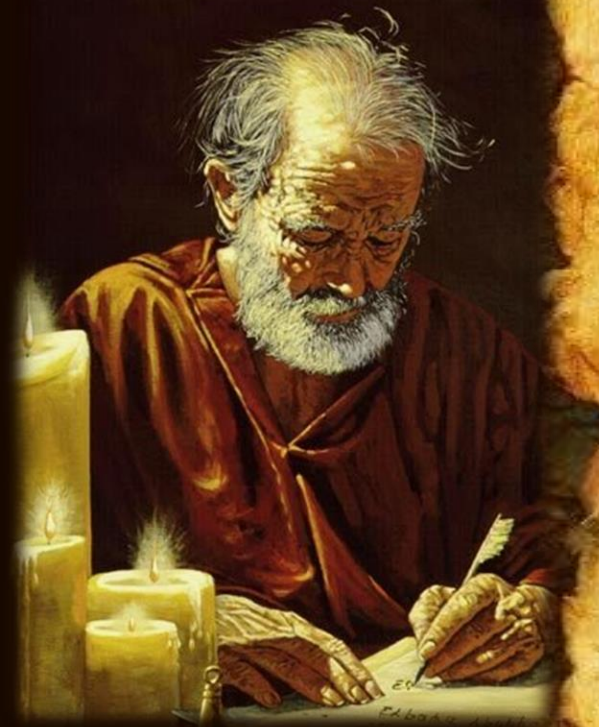
Who hath directed the spirit of the LORD, or being his counsellor, hath taught him?

With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgement, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill made low ...

Isa 40:12-14, 4

The R. Of God with Israel



In all this, I have one unceasing sorrow. My own people, who were especially prepared for the Messiah have failed to accept him. So, does that mean God's promises are frustrated? No, God never intended to save all natural Israel anyway (rather, spiritual Israel, including gentiles). Is God unrighteous because He saves some and rejects others? No, election is a matter of mercy, not righteousness. His foreknowledge means that his selection is sound. In any case, He does not reject people until they fail to respond to Him. But Israel failed to respond. Why? Because they sought their own righteousness, not God's – even though righteousness by faith is clearly taught in the OT (ch 9)!

But perhaps Israel didn't understand? Nonsense! The Gentiles who had none of Israel's privileges had no problem understanding. Israel was just disobedient (ch 10).

Then has God's purpose with Israel finished? No. Not all Israel was unfaithful; a remnant will be saved. As for the nation, their time will come. God will restore them when he saves the faithful Gentiles. This two-fold salvation demonstrates the wisdom of God (ch 11).

