

PAUL'S DEEP LOVE FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE

- Romans 9.1-4: I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, the people of Israel.
- Romans 10.1: Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.

PAUL'S INTENTION TO VISIT ROME

- **5yrs prior- a decision**

- Acts 19.21: After all this had happened, Paul decided to go to Jerusalem, passing through Macedonia and Achaia. “After I have been there,” he said, “I must visit Rome also.”

- **3yrs prior- a desire**

- Romans 15.23-24: But now that there is no more place for me to work in these regions, and since I have been longing for many years to visit you, I plan to do so when I go to Spain. I hope to see you while passing through and to have you assist me on my journey there, after I have enjoyed your company for a while.

GOD'S INTENTION FOR PAUL TO VISIT ROME

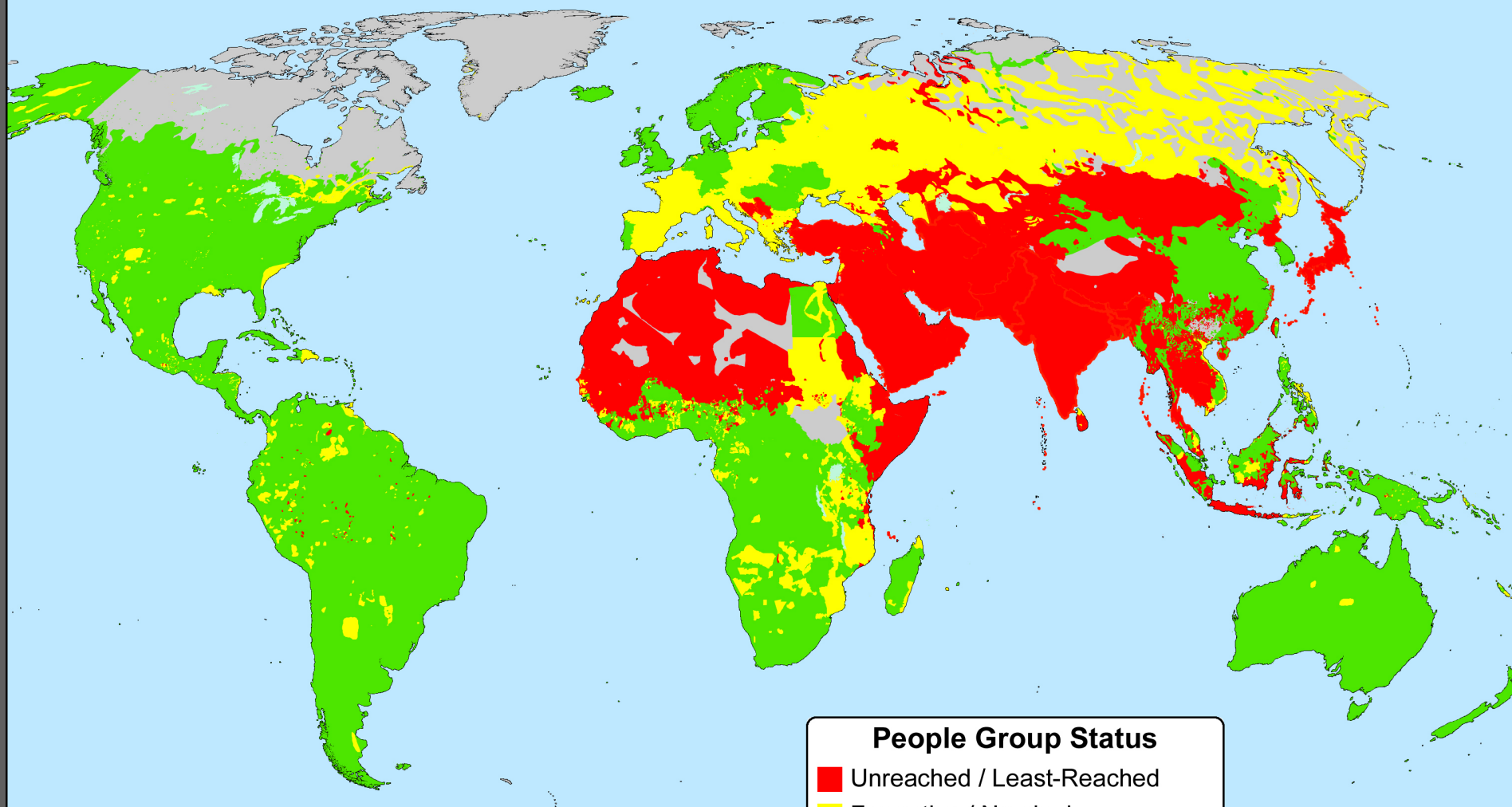
- In barracks after trial before Sanhedrin
 - Acts 23.11: The following night the Lord stood near Paul and said, “Take courage! As you have testified about me in Jerusalem, so you must also testify in Rome.”
- In storm while traveling to Rome
 - Acts 27.23-24: Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me and said, ‘Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.’

GOD'S DESIRE FOR ALL TO BE SAVED

- Luke 19.41-44: As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it ⁴² and said, “If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes. ⁴³ The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. ⁴⁴ They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognize the time of God’s coming to you.”
- 1 Timothy 2.3-4: This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Progress of the Gospel by People Group

Based on the Joshua Project Progress Scale



People Group Status

- Unreached / Least-Reached
- Formative / Nominal
- Established / Significant
- Data not available or uninhabited

Source: Joshua Project (www.joshuaproject.net), September 2011
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Romans 10.13-15: “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”