of the church than those that were coming out of srael...and in te-- the next three-chapters- **xk** toward the end of this ninth chapter **x** he points out in verse 30. What shall we say that-, What shall we say then? that the Gentiles, which followed anot after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the laxw of right eousness. Wherefore? because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of te law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone. In other words, it is necessary to come in simple, humble faith, recognica- recognizing that you have no claim on the Lord whatever, you deserver nothing but eternal punishment, but God in His marvelous mercy and grace is willing to surve, and it was pride on the part of Israel. Following the law of righteousness at brought that much that was good much that was commendable, yet it was pride which resulted in being the Gentiles who had not followed the law of righteousness, being reached ;y the Word of ... and are g coming into the kingdom. Well, we get on to chapter 10 and the passage which I refer now. brings out the fact that Paul said this is the reason for it, but it is nothing new, the old testament predictes it --it is part of God's plan, much as I hate to think of it, he says. I have given my very life to gbring Israel...but it is part of God's plan from the beginning, God has had ordained that things should come in a certain way and he predicted it in the Old Testament, and through Israel, in verses 129-20 to 21, of chapter He says that this is written - predicted in advance for us, that Israel sterb terrible as it is, for an Israelite who loves his people to recognize that such a thing has happened, that Israel is following behind, a-d- and not coming into the kkingdom the way that they should. Of Yet, he said, God prediceted predicted.

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