*\*Psalm 11:* *3 When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?"*

*\*The Remnant and its role. Genesis 45:7*

*Genesis 45:5 And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. 6 For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. 7 But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.*

*8 "So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt.*

\*The Remnant is God’s way of preserving His plans in times of turmoil.

*Genesis 45:8* ***God is the sending agency*** *of the remnant.*

*Joshua 3:5 Joshua told the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you."*

1. ***Only two saw*** *what God had done.*
2. ***Only two experienced*** *what they were about to do.*

*Romans 11:1 I ask then: Did God reject his people? By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin. 2 God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew. Don't you know what Scripture says in the passage about Elijah—how he appealed to God against Israel: 3 "Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me" ? 4 And what was God's answer to him? "I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal." 5 So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. 6 And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.*

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*\*Romans 11:7 What then? What the people of Israel sought so earnestly they did not obtain. The elect among them did, but the others were hardened, 8 as it is written: "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that could not see and ears that could not hear, to this very day."*

*9 And David says: "May their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them.*

*10 May their eyes be darkened so they cannot see, and their backs be bent forever."*

*11 Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious.*

*\*The Remnant reveals God’s Power, Sovereignty, and Salvation.*