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"For I do not want you, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part has happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles has come in. And then all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, 'There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob (Isaiah 59:21); 'For this is My covenant with them, when I shall take away their sins.' " (Romans 11:25-27)

Deliverer: from the Greek word <u>rhoumai</u> which means: "to draw to oneself, or snatch up to oneself"; but is usually translated 'deliver', or 'delivered'. Thus, to deliver, or to rescue someone from the midst or presence of danger or destruction – <u>to Oneself</u>. The noun form 'Deliverer' is used only this one time in the New Testament."

The variations of the word <u>rhoumai</u>, as used in the New Testament, are always used in the context of deliverance, or rescue, from enemies, temptations, sin, evil situations, and death. It is in this sense that Jesus is our Deliverer.

The quote in Romans 11:25-27 a a paraphrased from a Messianic prophecy from the Old Testament:

"And the LORD saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no justice. And He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor; therefore His arm brought salvation unto Him; and His righteousness, it sustained Him. For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation upon His head; and He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a mantle. According to their deeds, accordingly He will repay, fury to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; to the islands he will repay recompense. So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto those who turn from transgression in Jacob, says the LORD. As for Me, this is My covenant with them, says the LORD: My Spirit that is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, nor out of the mouth of your offspring, nor out of the mouth of your offspring's offspring, says the LORD, from now and for ever." (Isaiah 59:15-21)

Redeemer: from the Hebrew word *gaal* which means: "to redeem; or to act as kinsman redeemer in a variety of circumstances; or to buy back; or sometimes as **an avenger** in the sense of providing justice"

The context in both Romans 11:25-27 and Isaiah 59:15-21 is the future salvation of all Israel (Jacob). This shall be accomplished by **the Deliverer**, **the Kinsman Redeemer of Israel**: **Jesus**; who will draw back all Israel to Himself in the last days!

Consider the similarity of these words of praise spoken by Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist:

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for He has visited and redeemed His people; and has raised up a Horn of Salvation for us in the house of His servant David; as He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, who have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember His holy covenant; the oath which He swore to our father Abraham, that He would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve Him without fear, In holiness and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life.(Luke 1:68-75)

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Consider also these words of praise spoken by Mary the mother of Jesus:

""For the Mighty One has done great things to me and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has showed strength with His arm. He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted those of low degree. He has filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He has sent away empty-handed. He has given help to His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy; as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his offspring for ever." (Luke 1: 49-55)

Jesus is also the Deliverer of 'all' people who turn to Him for salvation. Consider also the following verses:

"For they themselves report about us what manner of entering in we had with you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; and to wait for His Son from the heavens, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus, who delivered us from the wrath to come. (1Thessalonians 1:9-10)

"At my first defense no man stood with me, but all men forsook me. I pray to God that it may not be laid to their charge. But the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear; and I was <u>delivered</u> out of the mouth of the lion. And <u>the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work</u>, and will preserve me unto His heavenly kingdom; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (2Timothy 4:16-18)

"For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing; for th willing is present within me; but how to perform that which is good is not. For the good that I would do, I do not; but the evil which I would not do, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells in me. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God in the inward man; but I see another law in my body, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my body. O wretched man that I am! who shall **deliver** me from the body of this death? I thank God, **through Jesus Christ our Lord...**" (Romans 7:18-25)

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Jesus is the One who has "delivered us from sin and death"

Lord Jesus my deliverance comes from You, because You, and You alone, are my Deliverer!

Always and always – Forever and ever!

To You be the Glory, and Honor, and Majesty !!!