

THE PHYSICAL REMNANT PRINCIPLE

Rom 9:6-13

2/9/25

I. GOD'S WORD TO THE JEWS HAS NOT FAILED. 6a

- A. Why Is This an Issue?
- B. The Word of God.
 - 1. The Occurrences.
 - 2. A Reference to the Old Testament. (Acts 13:5, 7, 44, 46, 48, 49)
 - 3. The Meaning in 9:6
- C. Has Not...Taken no Effect

II. A CRYPTIC EXPLANATION. 6b

- A. This Is the Reason That God's Word Has Not Failed ("for").
- B. A Puzzling Statement. 6b
 - 1. Two Groups Called "Israel."
 - 2. What This Means.
 - 3. What This Does Not Mean.

III. DECODING THE EXPLANATION. 7-13

- A. An Ethnic Narrowing.
- B. Abraham. 7
 - 1. This Is the First Elective Choice That God Made.
 - 2. Gen 12:1-5
- C. Abraham to Isaac. 7-9
 - 1. Second Elective Choice.
 - 2. "Children" of Abraham Is Not Equal to "Seed of Abraham".
 - 3. Old Testament Quotations: Gen 21:12 & Gen 18:10, 14
 - 4. Summary
- D. Isaac to Jacob. 10-13
 - 1. Third Elective Choice.
 - 2. This Narrowing Choice Involves Both Isaac and his Wife Rebecca. 10, 12
 - 3. This Narrowing Choice Excludes Character and Works. 11
 - 4. This Narrowing Choice Involves the Plan of God.
 - 5. This Narrowing Choice Is About Nations and Not Just Individuals [OT Quotations: Gen 25:23 (v. 12) & Mal 1:2-3 (v. 13)].

IV. CONCLUSION

- A. These Verses Are About How God Has Established That Nation of Israel; About Who Israel Is.
- B. These Verses Are Not About Salvation.
- C. These Narrowing Acts Were of National, Not Individual Significance.
- D. This Is the Clearest Expression of God's Election in the Bible.
 - 1. First, This Is About the National Election of Israel.
 - 2. Second, This Passage Has Nothing To Do With Personal or Individual Salvation.