The Book of Romans 9:6-13 Key Phrases

- ✓ *Taken no effect*: It is not as God's word had _____.
- ✓ Spiritual Israel: The true descendants of Abraham, encompassing all who have faith in God, regardless of _____.
- ✓ Infallible Word: The belief that the Bible, as the Word of God, is without
 ______ and completely ______.
- ✓ Line of Promise: The spiritual lineage of those who inherit God's blessings through faith, beginning with ______ and continuing through those who share his faith.
- ✓ Natural Children: Those who are descendants of ______ by physical birth.
- ✓ Children of Promise: Those who are considered true heirs of Abraham's legacy due to their ______, mirroring Abraham's own faith.
- ✓ Covenant: A binding agreement between ______ and _____, often involving promises and conditions.
- ✓ *Election*: The doctrine that God chooses certain individuals for salvation based on His
- ✓ Sovereignty of God: The absolute ______ and power of God over all creation and events.
- ✓ Justification: Being declared ______ in the sight of God, not based on personal merit, but through faith in Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions

- 1. How does Paul address the misconception that God's word had failed concerning the Jewish nation's response to the Gospel?
- 2. What is the significance of the story of Abraham and Sarah's son, Isaac, in understanding God's promises?
- 3. Why does Paul use the example of Rebecca's sons, Jacob and Esau, to illustrate God's sovereignty?
- 4. What does Paul mean when he says, "Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated"? Does this refer to God's eternal judgment of individuals?
- 5. How does the doctrine of election challenge the notion that salvation is earned through human effort or merit?
- 6. How does Paul emphasize the importance of actively living out the principles of the Bible, rather than simply studying it?
- 7. What is the significance of the phrase "children of promise" and how does it connect to the concept of spiritual Israel?
- 8. How does the passage encourage believers to extend God's grace and share the
- 9. Discuss the relationship between God's sovereignty and human responsibility in the context of election. How does Paul reconcile these seemingly conflicting ideas?
- 10. Explain the role of faith in receiving God's promises, drawing upon the examples of Abraham and Sarah. How does this understanding relate to the Christian concept of grace?

- 11. Explore the implications of the statement, "Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated," considering historical and theological contexts. How can this statement be reconciled with the belief in God's love for all people?
- 12. In light of the passage, discuss the responsibility of believers to share the Gospel and live in accordance with God's Word. How can Christians effectively fulfill this mission in today's world?