



TRINITY GRACE CHURCH

Genesis 25:19-34 II The Sons of Isaac II Walt Alexander

MAIN POINT: The promise will pass from generation to generation because God saves sinners single-handedly by sovereign grace.

1. The promise began in divine election.

It is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. . . . When Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls—she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.” **Romans 9:8-13**

“As God did not at first choose you because you were high, so he will not forsake you because you are low.” **John Flavel**

2. The promise is not thwarted by human sin.

3. The promise rests on sovereign grace.

At the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace. **Romans 11:5-6**

See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. **Hebrews 12:15-17**