

*Paul's Letter to the*  
**Romans**

*Ch. 9:13*





# 2 FOUNDATION BIBLICAL TRUTHS



1. God is Sovereign.
2. We are held accountable for our actions.



# PSALM 115:3

“..But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases.”





# THE LOVE OF GOD...

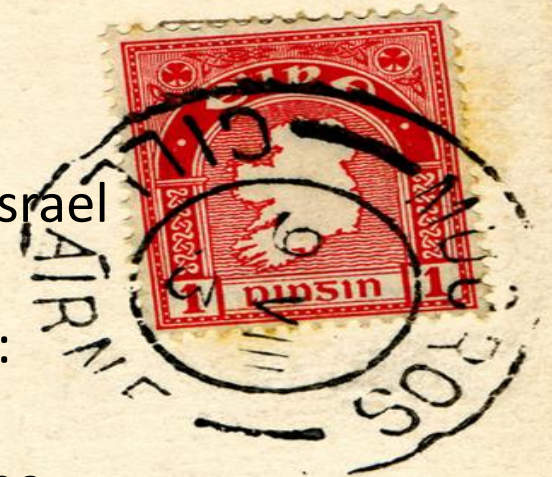


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## ROMANS 9:6-13

- 6 But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For they are not all Israel who are descended from Israel;
- 7 nor are they all children because they are Abraham's descendants, but:  
"THROUGH ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS WILL BE NAMED."
- 8 That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God, but the children of the promise are regarded as descendants.
- 9 For this is the word of promise: "AT THIS TIME I WILL COME, AND SARAH SHALL HAVE A SON."
- 10 And not only this, but there was Rebekah also, when she had conceived twins by one man, our father Isaac;
- 11 for though the twins were not yet born and had not done anything good or bad, so that God's purpose according to His choice would stand, not because of works but because of Him who calls,
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# DOCTRINE OF IMPASSIBILITY



“God does not experience emotional changes either from within or effected by His relationship to creation.”

- Based on a misunderstanding of Acts 14:15.
- Created to guard against attributing the “passions of man” to God.



# SCRIPTURE DOES SHOW GOD AS DISPLAYING EMOTION



- ✓ He rejoices.
- ✓ He is grieved .
- ✓ His anger burns.
- ✓ He has compassion.

(Isaiah 62:5)

(Ps. 78:40)

(Ex. 32:10)

(Ps 103:13)



# GODS WAYS ARE INFINITELY HIGHER THAN OUR WAYS.



“For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,” declares the LORD. “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts.” Isaiah 55:8-9



# GOD IS IMMUTABLE

The doctrine that God is unchanging in his being, perfections, purposes, and promises. It emphasizes the unchanging character and dependability of God.



- ✓ Malachi 3:6 “For I, the LORD, do not change; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed.”
- ✓ Ps. 102:25-27 “Of old You founded the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. “Even they will perish, but You endure; And all of them will wear out like a garment; Like clothing You will change them and they will be changed. “But You are the same, And Your years will not come to an end.



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## MALACHI 1:2-3



“The oracle of the word of the LORD to Israel through Malachi. “I have loved you,” says the LORD. But you say, “How have You loved us?” “Was not Esau Jacob’s brother?” declares the LORD. “Yet I have loved Jacob; but I have hated Esau, and I have made his mountains a desolation and appointed his inheritance for the jackals of the wilderness.”



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## PSALM 14:1-3

1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds; There is no one who does good.

2 The LORD has looked down from heaven upon the sons of men To see if there are any who understand, Who seek after God.

3 They have all turned aside, together they have become corrupt; There is no one who does good, not even one.





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# GOD CHOOSES...

- Isaac over Ishmael (Gen. 21:10)
- Jacob over Esau. (Rom. 9:13)
- David over Saul (2 Sam 6:21)
- "I have chosen you" (Hagg 2:23)
- "Did I myself not choose you?" (John 6:70)
- "I chose you out of the world." (John 15:19)
- "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of mine." (Acts 9:13-16)
- "He chose us in Him before the Foundation of the world." (Eph. 1:4)
- "Because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation" 2 Thess 2:13





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