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**Romans 9:10-13(NASB)** 10And not only this, but there was Rebekah also, when she had conceived *twins* by one man, our father Isaac; <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>it was said to her, "The older will serve the younger." <sup>13</sup>Just as it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

**Romans 9:14-16(NASB)** 14What shall we say then? There is no injustice with God, is there? May it never be! <sup>15</sup>For He says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." <sup>16</sup>So then it *does* not *depend* on the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy.

**Romans 9:17-18(NASB)** 17For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I raised you up, to demonstrate My power in you, and that My name might be proclaimed throughout the whole earth." <sup>18</sup>So then He has mercy on whom He desires, and He hardens whom He desires.

**Romans 9:19(NASB)** 19You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?"

**Romans 9:20-23(NASB)** 20On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God? The thing molded will not say to the molder, "Why did you make me like this," will it? <sup>21</sup>Or does not the potter have a right over the clay, to make from the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for common use? <sup>22</sup>What if God, although willing to demonstrate His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction? <sup>23</sup>And *He did so* to make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory,

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**Romans 9:30-32a(NASB)** 30What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is by faith; <sup>31</sup>but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at *that* law. <sup>32</sup>Why? Because *they did not pursue it* by faith, but as though *it were* by works.

**Romans 9:32b-33(NASB)** 32bThey stumbled over the stumbling stone, <sup>33</sup>just as it is written, “Behold, I lay in Zion a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense, and he who believes in Him will not be disappointed.”