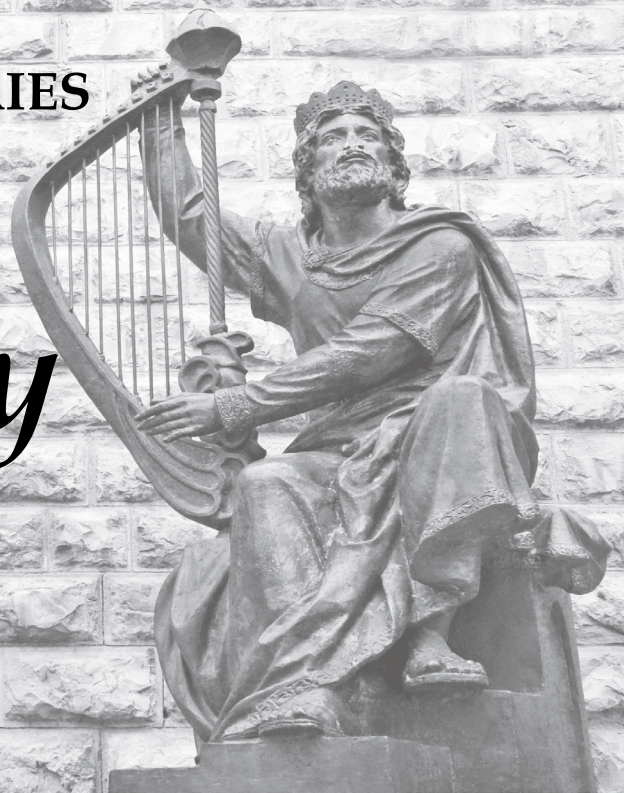


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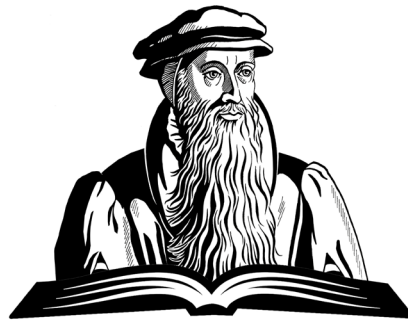
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Lecture Theme:

God's promise unfolds through many twists and turns, revealing bright revelations of God's glory and his plan of redemption

Memory Text:

“Who are the Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises; whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever: Amen.”

—Romans 9, verses 4 and 5

Structure:

1. Introduction.
2. Sodom and Gomorrah
 - a. God's wrath and judgment against wickedness.
 - b. The reasons.
 - c. The warning to Israel and for today.
3. Isaac.
 - a. Repeating the covenant with Isaac.
 - b. Some details.
 - c. The redemptive theme of submission.
4. Jacob.
 - a. The doctrine of Election.
 - b. Esau, covenant-breaker,
 - c. Jacob, covenant-inheritor.
5. Twelve sons of Jacob.
 - a. Twelve tribes relating to New Testament period.
 - b. Joseph.
6. Conclusion.

Review Questions:

1. Why should Christians today appreciate the history of the patriarchs?

2. What were God's reasons for judging and destroying Sodom and Gomorrah? What spiritual lessons can we draw from this biblical history?

3. Why should we pay attention to details that were recorded in the book of Genesis?

4. How does Isaac's submission to his father point to the Lord Jesus Christ?

5. How does the redemptive theme of submission apply to Christians today?

6. How did the Apostle Paul use the story of Jacob and Esau to teach the doctrine of Election?

7. What warnings for the New Testament church can be taken from the life of Esau?

8. Where can you observe the fruits of faith and obedience in Jacob's life?

9. Give examples of "twists and turns" of God's providence in Genesis. What can you learn from these things?

10. Why was Joseph so concerned that his bones would be taken back to the promised land and buried there? What does this reveal about Joseph?

Further Applications

1. Joseph serves as a picture of the Deliverer, a type of Christ. Meditate on the life of Joseph and draw connections between Joseph's life and Jesus' life.

2. How can we understand that the patriarchs received great promises of land in Canaan, but they died with little property? What application can be made for Christians today?
