

Prayer & Trusting God's Sovereign Grace

Text: Genesis 25:19-26

Main Idea: Believers who owe our spiritual existence to sovereign creation & divine election must be able to acknowledge the hand of God in the circumstances of life.

1. We must _____ knowing that God sovereignly _____ the recipients of His blessing. (v. 19-21)

- God _____ out His will in His own timing, but through the means of the prayers of the faithful. (Ps 127:3-5)

- 1) _____ is often the divine plan of God to stir us to pray!
- 2) Unanswered prayer is not an indication of _____.
- 3) God will always answer prayer in His _____!
- 4) Effective prayer is _____ up my will with His will.

- Believers are _____ "born again" by God's doing, not our own. (2 Cor 5:17, Eph 2:5, 2:8-10, 1 Cor 1:30)

2. We must _____ that God is the one who sovereignly _____ the recipients of his promises. (v. 22-23)

- God had a distinguishing grace, love & election upon _____ but not upon _____. (Hos 12:2-4, Malachi 1:1-2, Rom 9:10-13)
- God continues to have a distinguishing grace, love & election upon all who are _____. (Ex 33:19, Rom 8:28-30, Eph 1:4, Rom 9:16, Acts 13:48, 1 Thess 1:4-5)
- God's election is not according to foreknowledge but rather according to the _____ of His will. (Rom 9:10-13, Eph 1:5, 9, 11)

3. We must _____ the hand of God's sovereign plan in the circumstances of life. (v. 24-26)