



Romans 9:10-24 New International reader's Version (NirV)

¹⁰And that's not all. Rebekah's children were born at the same time by the same father. He was our father Isaac. ¹¹Here is what happened. Rebekah's twins had not even been born. They hadn't done anything good or bad yet. So they show that God's purpose is based firmly on his free choice. ¹²It was not because of anything they did but because of God's choice. So Rebekah was told, "The older son will serve the younger one." ¹³It is written, "I chose Jacob instead of Esau." ¹⁴What should we say then? Is God unfair? Not at all! ¹⁵He said to Moses,

"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy
I will show love to those I love."

¹⁶So it doesn't depend on what people want or what they do. It depends on God's mercy. ¹⁷In Scripture, God says to Pharaoh, "I had a special reason for making you king. I decided to use you to show my power. I wanted my name to become known everywhere on earth." ¹⁸So God does what he wants to do. He shows mercy to one person and makes another stubborn.

¹⁹One of you will say to me, "Then why does God still blame us? Who can oppose what he wants to do?" ²⁰But you are a mere human being. So who are you to talk back to God? Scripture says, "Can what is made say to the one who made it, 'Why did you make me like this?'" ²¹Isn't the potter free to make different kinds of pots out of the same lump of clay? Some are for special purposes. Others are for ordinary use.

²²What if God chose to show his great anger? What if he chose to make his power known? But he put up with the people he was angry with. They were made to be destroyed. ²³What if he put up with them to show the riches of his glory to other people? Those other people are the ones he shows his mercy to. He made them to receive his glory. ²⁴We are those people. He has chosen us. We do not come only from the Jewish race. Many of us are not Jews.

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C S E L I T N E G A E O V A C	COMPASSION
R R Q U I X L B K W M B R H X	ESAU
E B A L N E Q E O P T A V A P	GENTILES
M E E R E J B P A C H P N R A	GLORY
S J S Q W E U S C A A S I B Y	ISAAC
P N T A R O S S C W V J U A F	ISRAEL
E D P I U I N W T G L O R Y K	JACOB
X Z Y I O G I Y R X F P B B T	JEWS
A D U N H I S R A E L E U U K	MERCY
N G S Z N S J E C R L O J N I	OFFSPRING
G D M R R B R K T U X P E P I	PEOPLE
D G V E F H C O P H D L W N T	POWER
C M Q E W G F V W V R E S F F	REBEKAH
O F F S P R I N G H X Q W J V	SARAH
	UNJUST
	WORSHIP

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