

## **Transformation Card**

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### **Sermon Audio Input**

Full Msg. Title: Has God's Word Failed?  
Short Ver. Title: Romans 050  
Series Title\*: Romans  
Text: Romans 9:6-13  
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### **Message Outline**

## ***Has God's Word Failed?***

**Addressing the Apparent Failure of God's Word to Israel  
Rom 9:6-13**

- I. **Statement of Non-Failure: It is NOT as though the Word of God Has FAILED**
- II. **Reason the APPARENT Failure is NOT an ACTUAL Failure**

### ***Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)***

Gen 12 - 28 (esp. 21:12; 18:10; 25:23)  
Mal 1:1-5 (esp. 1:2-3)

### ***Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)***

- What is the question raised in the mind of the reader by verses 1-5 (especially when the privileges of the Israelites Paul noted in 4-5 are considered in juxtaposition to so many Israelites not embracing Christ) that verse 6a answers?
- In light of the apparent failing of God's word regarding Israel (since so many of them stand accursed), how does Paul explain (6b) that indeed God's word to Israel has not failed?
- What function does verse 7a serve, i.e., how is it related to 6b?
- How are verses 7b-13 related to verses 6b-7a?
- How do Paul's citations of OT precedent support his understanding of God's definition of Israel.
- **Community Group Focus Question: How does Paul's understanding of Israel** (i.e., his understanding of who God regards as the Israel to whom He made His promises and extended the privileges mentioned in verses 4-5) **explain that the apparent failure of God's word to Israel is not an actual failure?**

### ***Memory & Meditation Verse***

"But *it is* not as though the word of God has failed." Romans 9:6 (NASB).

### ***Community Life***

- We have seen and take great joy and hope in the fact that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus... (Ro 8:35-39); however practically speaking much can separate our love from God and others. There are 1001 ways for us to love God and others, but there seem to be 1002 reasons we can come up with in the busyness of our week not to. Community groups offer a practical consistent time each week when we can love God and each other together as the body of Christ. Join a group. Work with Pastor Johnny to form a group.

### ***Next Week***

Romans 9:14-18 seen as a discussion raised by 6-13 and subordinate to Paul's main discussion which resumes in 9:19.