

STANDING ON THE PROMISES  
Romans 9:6-9

INTRODUCTION:

- A. God's true people have always been people of faith
    - 1) Abel was a man of faith
    - 2) He did what God said, the way God said to do it, he offered by blood and faith. Hebrews 11:4
    - 3) It was not by faith only or blood only
  
  - B. There have always been religionists
    - 1) They are sincere. Cain.
    - 2) They are self-righteous Romans 10:3
    - 3) All Israel was not Israel Romans 9:6
  
  - C. Only those people who stand on the promises of God truly serve God.
    - 1) You believe what God says
    - 2) You do things as God says
- I. All of Abraham's Descendants Were Not Children of Promise vs. 7
- A. "Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they children:"
    - 1) "seed" = sperma = "the seed or germ of anything; hence children, offspring"
    - 2) "they are not all children of Abraham because they are Abraham's descendants" "Mon.
  
  - B. "but in Isaac shall thy seed be called"
    - 1) "called" = kaleo = "to bear the name"
    - 2) "but he was told, "The line of Isaac will be called your descendants" Gspd.
- II. The Children of Flesh and the Children of Promise vs. 8
- A. The children of the flesh vs. 8
    - 1) "That is, they which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God:"
    - 2) "children" = teknon = "that which is born"
    - 3) The children of flesh are the descendants of Ishmael, Hagar's son.
    - 4) God's promise Genesis 12:2; 15:1-6
    - 5) The flesh act Genesis 16:1-16
    - 6) The children of Abraham who would not accept Jesus were not, "faith" people and they were like the Ismaelites, "flesh" children.



B. The children of the promise

- 1) "but the children of the promise are counted for the seed"
- 2) "promise" = epaggelia = "a proclamation"
- 3) "counted" = logizomai = "to count", "compute"
- 4) "seed" = sperma = "the offspring"

III. The Promise Identified by Paul vs. 9

A. "For this is the word of promise"

- 1) "word" = logos = "the spoken word"
- 2) "for these words are the words of a promise"
- 3) There were several times when God reassured Abraham and Sarah.

B. "At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son"

- 1) "At the time fixed...."
- 2) Genesis 18:9-15 10, 14
- 3) Genesis 21:1-8

C. The son of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac, the progenitor of "faith" people.

- 1) Sarah's faith Hebrews 11:11-12
- 2) Abraham's faith Hebrews 11:17-19

D. The promise as seen by Abraham

- 1) Romans 4:16-25
- 2) "staggered" = diakrino = "to be in strife with oneself",  
"to hesitate", "to waver" vs. 20

