

Keeping the Faith: How God's Providence and Predestination Foster Prayer and Patience

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The Greatest Crisis of Faith

When prayers for children go unanswered

When children's faith grows cold

Blessed is he who does not take offense at me - Jesus



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Romans 8:28–30

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.



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Romans 9:10–12

When Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac,
¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or
bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not
because of works but because of him who calls— ¹² she was told, “The
older will serve the younger.” As it is written, Jacob I loved, but Esau I
hated’



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- 5 Isaac and Rebekah Love Different Sons . . .

