ROMANS: A FIRM FOUNDATION

PROMISES, PROMISES
Romans 9:1-13
I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel.
Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. 5 Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.
PROMISES REJECTED:

1. A unique people
2. Adoption
3. Glory
4. Covenants
5. Law
6. Temple
7. Promises
8. Patriarchs
9. Messiah
WHY NOW?

6 It is not as though God’s word had failed. . .
A QUESTION THAT MUST BE ANSWERED:

• Do we care about the people that will spend eternity separated from God and the life that is in Christ Jesus?
• Paul is passionate
  • We are often caviler
• What are we to do?
MATTHEW 9:37

35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”
ACTION STEPS

1. Pray.
2. Ask God to open our eyes to the significance of the need.
3. Be willing to be the answer to your prayer.
4. Ask God to place specific people that are on His heart on your heart.
5. Pray for a Spirit guided sensitivity to opportunities.
Who do you know that needs to know Jesus?
How do you feel about their need?
How might God use you to touch their lives so that they might come to know Him through you?