## HOW COME GOD IS NOT DOING WHAT SEEMS TO BE HIS WILL? LEARNING TO PATIENTLY SEEK AND TRUST THE SOVEREIGN LORD Genesis 25:19-26

### I. INTRODUCTION AND SCENE SET (19-20)

A. Opening statement: These are the generations of Isaac, Abrahams son (19)

B. Context: Isaac marries Rebekah at age 40 (20, Rem 26b)

### II. GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY IS REVEALED IN THE CONCEPTION AND PRE-BIRTH STRUGGLE BETWEEN JACOB AND ESAU (21-23)

A. Isaac prays for his barren wife and the Lord answers and she conceives (21)

B. The unborn twins struggle in Rebekah's womb and she seeks the Lord and He answers, revealing they are a picture of His sovereign choice (22-23)

#### C. A further explanation from the New Testament (Romans 9:6-16)

# III. GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY ALSO REVEALED IN THE BIRTH OF JACOB AND ESAU (24-26)

- A. Behold twins, just as God had revealed (24)
- B. The account of their birth and subsequent names further manifest God's sovereignty (25-26a)
- C. Isaac was 60 years old when they were born (26b)