

7. Read Rom. 13:1-7 and 1 Pet. 2:13-17. Would it ever be right and honoring to God to disobey civil laws or authorities? Try to think of an example. (See also Acts 5:27-42)

8. Where do you see God's hand sovereignly protecting and prospering Israel in chapter 1?

9. How do you see God at work in protecting and raising up a deliverer for his people, Israel? (2:1-10)

10. Where do you see God's faithfulness to his prior promises (2:23-25)? What promise did he intend to keep? (Gen. 12:1-3, 17:4-6, 28:10-15)

11. Do you ever find yourself worrying about whether God will keep his promises?
How do you know that God will be faithful to you in keeping all his promises? What might strengthen your confidence in God? What aspects of God's character should feed your confidence?

PRAY IN THE GROUP

- Pray for our new "Thrive" young adult ministry (for those 18-35 years old) that is launching on April 17th. Pray that God would use it to strengthen their faith and foster life-giving relationships.

