Bible 101

Lesson 15 - Isaac Blesses Jacob

Genesis 27

Genesis 27:1-4

- 1. Read Genesis 25:19-28. Why was Esau's place as the firstborn important in that culture?
- 2. Read Genesis 25:29-34. What does this account teach you about the brothers?
- 3. Why does Isaac send Esau out to hunt?
- 4. How are Esau's selling of his birthright and Isaac's promise of a blessing similar?

Genesis 27:5-10

- 1. Read Genesis 25:28. Why do you suppose Rebekah conspired with Jacob against Esau?
- 2. Do you see anything wrong with what Rebekah proposed? Why or why not?

Genesis 27:11-17

1. What obstacles did Jacob need to overcome to convince Isaac that he was Esau?

Genesis 27:18-27

- 1. According to Jacob, why did he find meat so quickly (see verse 20)? Do you see anything wrong with his reasoning?
- 2. Other than vision, what other senses does Isaac use to confirm that Esau is serving him this food?

Genesis 27:28-40

- 1. What does Isaac's blessing tell you about the future relationship between the descendants of Jacob and Esau?
- 2. How does Jacob's blessing echo what God told Rebekah in 25:23?
- 3. In the preceding stories of Genesis, what other firstborn child was denied his father's blessing in favor of the second-born child?
- 4. Read Esau's lament in verse 36. Do you notice anything inaccurate about his reasoning?

Genesis 27:41-46

- 1. Is Esau's anger toward Jacob justified? Why or why not?
- 2. Where does Rebekah send Jacob to find refuge?