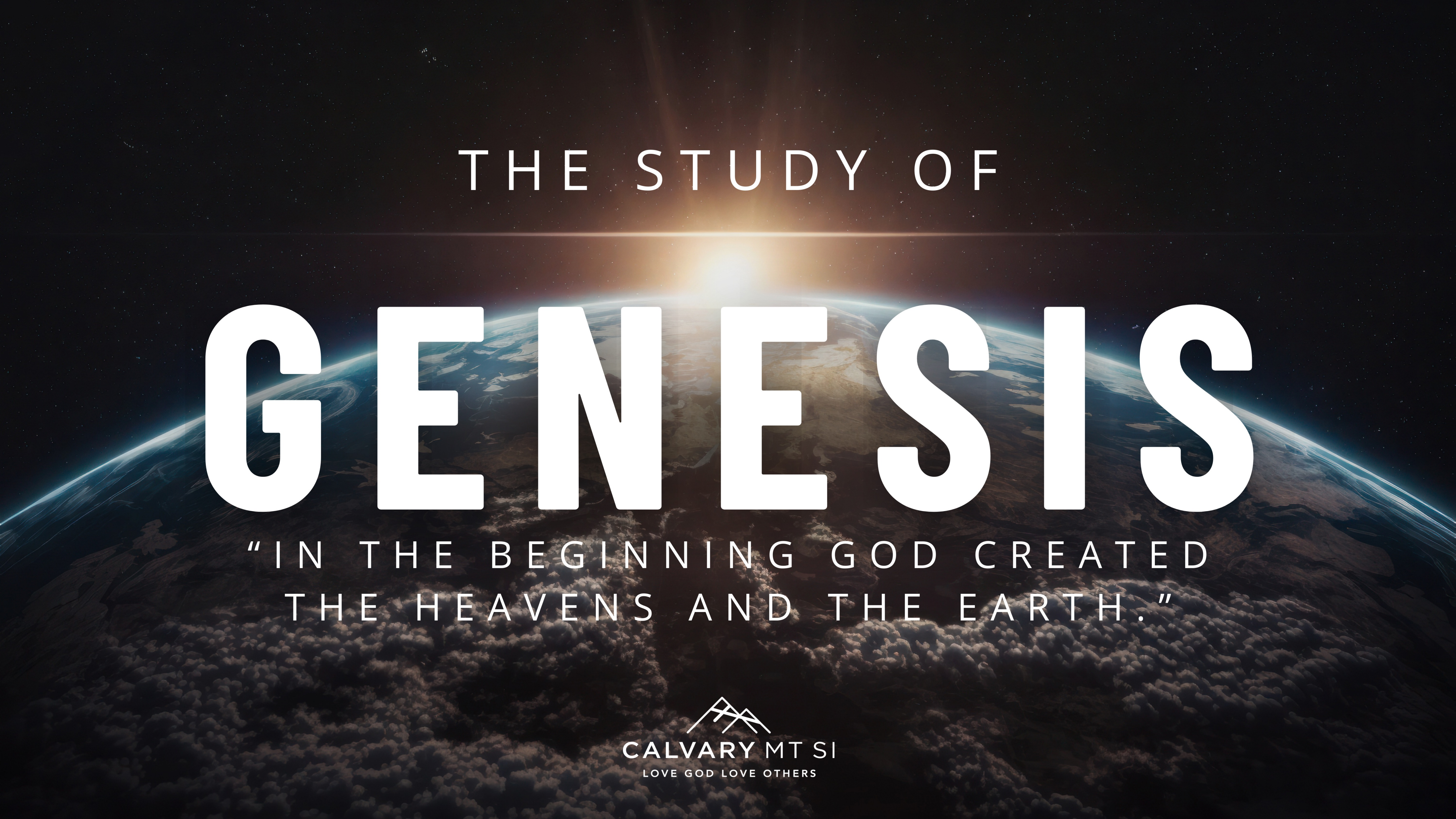




THE STUDY OF

# GENESIS

"IN THE BEGINNING GOD CREATED  
THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH."

# Double Trouble, Twin Problems!

Genesis 27:1-46



## v.6-11 FEAR → FAILURE

Isaac repeats Abraham's lie; fear of man  
(Prov. 29:25)

Pagan king rebukes the patriarch; God  
protects the line.

God protects even when we fear, fail, and  
compromise.

## v.1-11 Legacy of Faith

Abraham leaves Isaac the **altar** and **tent** (26:24-25) the spiritual and material

Grace at the Grave - God's promises outlast His people (Heb. 11:13–16; Rom. 4:20–22) “The righteous shall live by faith” (Rom. 1:17) “Well done, good and faithful servant” (Matt. 25:21)

Pressure → Presence → Provision

**1. Famine** — Where is your famine? God means to meet you there.

**2. Fear** — What fear scripts your choices? Presence is the antidote.

**3. Failure** — Grace is stronger than generational patterns.



# Chapter 27      Familial BLISS!

**Isaac** - Committed to his own will above God's, in his plan to bless Esau.

**Rebekah** - Committed to God's will, but accomplishing it through her own means.

**Jacob** - Willing participant in deception for personal gain.

**Esau** - Ruled by his flesh rather than God.

# God's Will Be Done

## Proverbs 16:9

“The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps.”

## Proverbs 19:21

“Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.”

## Proverbs 21:30

“No wisdom, no understanding, no counsel can avail against the LORD.”

## v.1-4 A Father's Plan

- Isaac, aging, plans to bless Esau as the head of the family.
- He wants to relish in his son's giftedness, forget what he lacks, and pursue his own will.
- His plan is simple: eat and bless. (Very man like)

## v.1-4 A Father's Plan

### Rose-colored Glasses:

- Dismisses sin, character shortages, and warnings.
- Only see things/people through the lens we want to, rather than the reality.
- Leads to ruin for them and us.

## v.5–17 A Mother's Plan

- Rebekah overhears Isaac's plan and hatches a plan in response. Trick dad into blessing Jacob instead.
- Use very complicated means to trick him; the ends justify the means.
- Is willing to do the work necessary to pull off the deception.

## v.5–17 A Mother's Plan

### Utilitarianism:

The doctrine that actions are right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority.

“The greater good.”

Uses man's wisdom while bypassing God's standards of righteousness.

## **v.5–24 A Son's Plan - Jacob**

- Fear of being caught and cursed, rather than a fear of doing wrong.
- Willing to go along with Mother's plan if she takes the risk of a curse.
- Follows through with deceiving his Father, is willing to throw God into the lie.

## **v.30-41 A Brother's Plan - Esau**

- Obeyed his Father and sought his blessing
- Did not get it, although he did what was asked.
- To right the wrong, he plans to murder his brother.
- He loses the relationship with his brother.

# Genesis-Revelation God's Plan

- to bring a Perfect Savior through an imperfect people.
- to bring His will to pass despite the evil will of the people.
- to save all those who will repent and believe in His name. Through the birth, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.



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**Jacob's name** (“heel-catcher/gripper”) foreshadows his lifelong striving/tripping others

**striving**—for what only grace can give.

Until he wrestles with God and won't let go...