Surveying the Valley of Trouble September 7th, 2014

1. Direction

Determines Destination

We need to know where we are so we can get to where He wants us to be!

Abraham BECAME the father of Isaac (Gen 25:19)

Isaac

Jacob & Esau (Gen 25:23-34) Stolen Blessing (Gen 27:1-29)

Jacob marries Leah, Rachel (Gen 29:14-30)

12 tribes of Israel came from Jacob

Judah

Er & Onan marry Tamar (die because of disobedience) (Gen 38)

Tamar & Judah (father-in-law)

Perez & Zerah

Zimri (Josh 7:1)

Karmi

Achan (Trouble)

2. Denial (Judah & Tamar) Gen 38:11

Judah had to intention to give his 3rd son to Tamar

Judah, trying to protect his family's evil ways, opened himself up to sin.

3. Depression

Running from your problems only creates more problems Jacob was running from Esau & his father-in-law, Laban

4. Redemption Matt 1:3

Jesus came from the tribe of Judah....there is HOPE for YOU!!! Matthew mentions Tamar (she had twins with her father-in-law)