



Isaac

Genesis

27-28



Who's In Charge?

Chap. 25 Reminders:

- ◆ Isaac & Rebekah - have twins
- ◆ v.23 - God tells Rebekah - Two nations in her, Older will serve the younger
- ◆ Esau - Hairy, Man of the open country
- ◆ Jacob - Quiet, among the tents
- ◆ Vv.28 - Isaac loved Esau, Bekah loved Jacob

Favoritism & Inconsistency

- ◆ Breeds Competition
- ◆ Breaks Communication
- ◆ Begs Manipulation
- ◆ Births Deception
- ◆ Brings Separation

Ultimately: Bumpers rather than Blessings

**God deals with different
children differently,
but fairly according to
knowledge and truth.**

These events speak of:

1. God's Sovereignty

- ◆ "possessing supreme or ultimate power"
- ◆ Romans 9:10-16
- ◆ God knows what he is doing, he has a plan, and doesn't need our figuring it out...

**God's sovereignty can be
misunderstood as favoritism
or inconsistency.**

These events speak of:

2. God's Promises

- ◆ Genesis 15:1-6, 21:12, 25:21-23
- ◆ His Word = His-story, truth, result is proof

3. God's Grace

- ◆ Unearned, unmerited, undeserved favor from God = chapter 28

“For God’s gifts and his call
are irrevocable.”

Romans 11:29 | NIV84

These events speak of:

4. Belief, Faith & Trust in God

- ◆ Could God carry out his plan even if Isaac had blessed Esau?

Picture of Christ



Matthew 20:20-28

Matthew 10:37-39

“By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future.”

- *Hebrews 11:20* | NIV84