

Day 38: Genesis 25: Abraham's Death and Descendants



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Abraham took another wife: Keturah bore him six sons

Abraham gave all to Isaac: son of the promise while he gave gifts to and sent away from Isaac his concubines' sons

Abraham died in good old age: gathered to his people

Generations of Ishmael: twelve princes of tribes, lived in hostility

Generations of Isaac: God blessed Isaac, granted his prayer for Rebekah to conceive; twins born: Esau (*sear*, meaning hairy, sounds like *Seir*) and Jacob (aqeb, meaning heel, *He takes by the heel, he cheats*)

Rebekah prayed: God's answer: twins struggling in her womb were two nations and the older would serve the younger

Esau: hunter; loved by Isaac; sold his birthright for red lentil stew; also named Edom: *adom*, meaning red; despised his birthright: Heb. 12:16

Assignment:

How does God's blessing continue after Abraham dies?

What are other times when God has worked beyond any individual human life?

What do we learn of God's purposes from His words to Rebekah about her twins?

See Mal. 1:2-3 and Rom. 9:7-13. Have you been like Esau, not regarding or understanding the significance of God's promises?