

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 25:27**IN THE BEGINNING 7-1**

So the boys grew. And Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field; but Jacob was a mild man, dwelling in tents.

"ABRAHAM AND ISAAC – GOD REPEATS HIS PROMISE"
Genesis 23:1 – 26:35

1. What was interesting to you from last week's lesson?

DAY 1 – READ Genesis 23:1-20

2. How long did Sarah live?
3. a. Why do you think Abraham wanted to bury Sarah in Hebron even though he called himself an "alien and a stranger" (NIV) in verse 4?

b. What truth do we learn about Abraham and Sarah in Hebrews 11:13-16?

c. From Philippians 3:20,21, in what sense are you an alien and stranger?

d. Physical death is a fact. What comfort is found in these Scriptures?
Psalm 23:4

Psalm 116:15

Job 19:25,26

4. What indicated that Abraham had gained the respect of the sons of Heth (Hittites)?
5. After negotiations for the property were completed, where was Sarah buried?

DAY 2 – READ Genesis 24:1-67

6. a. What oath did Abraham ask his servant to make?

b. Why didn't Abraham want Isaac to go back to Nahor to live?
7. After arriving in Nahor, what did the servant do before beginning his search for a wife for Isaac?
8. In verses 15-25, what do you learn about Rebekah's stature and character?
9. a. When the servant realized Rebekah was the answer to his prayer, what did he do?

b. What things prompt you into spontaneous worship of the Lord? Please share.

DAY 2 (Continued) – READ Genesis 24:1-67

10. Identify Rebekah's family:

- brother
- father
- paternal grandparents

11. Abraham's servant began his witness by telling them about his master. Share briefly something about your Master and what He has sent you to do.

12. What decision was Rebekah asked to make?

13. Rebekah's nurse was named _____ (Genesis 35:8).

14. a. Genesis 24:67 says, "So she became his wife and he _____ her; and Isaac was _____ after his mother's death."

b. Do you see any parallels in the story of Rebekah and Isaac with Christ and His church? If so, what?

DAY 3 – READ Genesis 25:1-34

15. Abraham had ____ sons by his wife Keturah. How did Abraham distribute his wealth?

16. a. Abraham lived ____ years and was buried by whom?
b. Where was he buried?
c. In what ways do you think Abraham's life was a complete and full one?
d. What kinds of things would you like to happen in your life in order for you to feel that your life has been full and complete? Please share.

17. What do verses 12-18 tell about Ishmael?

18. What reason did the Lord give for the struggle in Rebekah's womb?

19. a. In verses 24-34, what do you learn about:
Esau Jacob
b. How serious was rejection of the birthright by Esau according to Hebrews 12:16, 17?

DAY 4 = READ Genesis 26:1-17

20. a. Told to stay in the land during the famine, to whom did Isaac go?
b. What promise did the Lord make to Isaac?

DAY 4 (Continued) – READ Genesis 26:1-17

- 21.a. What lie did Isaac tell about Rebekah?
- b. How did Abimelech find out the truth?
22. What order did Abimelech give concerning Isaac and Rebekah?
23. a. How did the Lord bless Isaac?
- b. How has the Lord blessed you this week? Please share.
24. The Philistines were envious. How did they try to get rid of Isaac?
25. What lesson do you see in these stories concerning parental example?

DAY 5 – READ Genesis 26:18-35

26. Isaac reopened wells and dug new ones midst opposition. What happened at Rehoboth?
27. a. What happened at Beersheba?
- b. Who came to Isaac and why?
28. a. What do verses 34 and 35 tell of Esau's marriages?
- b. What is Paul's warning to Christians in 2 Corinthians 6:14-18?
- c. Children often bring grief to parents. Please share how you handle that situation in your life or how you would comfort a friend in that situation?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: