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Isaac Marries Rebekah

Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. How did Abraham find a wife for his son Isaac?
2. Why did Abraham send his servant to the country of his birth to find a wife?
3. Did God grant children to Isaac?
4. How many children did Rebekah have?
5. Describe Esau.

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The Birthright

Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Who was the eldest son of Isaac?
2. What privilege did the eldest son usually have after the father died?
3. What is this called?
4. What had the Lord told Rebekah about this?
5. Did Esau keep his birthright?
6. For what did he sell his birthright?
7. Who now had the birthright?
8. How did this fulfill what the Lord had told Rebekah?
9. Esau swore before God. Is this serious? Must Esau keep this oath?
10. When Esau sold his birthright, what did this show?

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Isaac Blesses Jacob



In your own words, describe how Jacob tricked Isaac into giving his blessing.

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Trickery!

Things to think about.

Jacob had tricked Esau for his birthright, and his father Isaac for Esau's blessing! Jacob was dishonest, but God knew how to bring good out of evil. Through all this trickery, the word of the Lord to Rebekah had been fulfilled.

Esau, however, became very angry with Jacob and wanted to kill him. Rebekah loved her son Jacob and sent him to live with his uncle Laban. Laban had two daughters and Jacob fell in love with Rachel. He arranged to marry her in exchange for seven years of work.

Laban wanted his other daughter Leah to be married first because she was older, so Laban tricked Jacob into marrying Leah. Jacob then married Rachel, but he had to work another seven years.

Jacob had many children. In fact, he had twelve boys. These twelve boys would become the twelve tribes of Israel, for Jacob's name was changed to Israel. The twelve sons' names were: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah (Jesus would come from Judah's line), Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph, and Benjamin.