

YOUNG TWIGS

Genesis 25:19–34; 27; 28; 31; 32; 33

Year 1, lesson 10

Jacob's life is full of drama, as we will see this week. God's plan to send a Savior includes some interesting people! ▲

Observation: *what does it say?*

Wednesday

Read Gen 25:19–34. Mark: *Lord/God, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, Esau/Edom.*

1. What were the promises that God told Rebekah about the twins she was carrying?

Thursday

Read Gen 27. Mark: *Lord/God, Isaac, Jacob, Esau, Rebekah, bless/blessed/blessing.*

2. Who received the blessing of the birthright from Isaac? How did this come about?

Friday

Read Gen 28. Mark: *Lord/God, Isaac, Jacob, Esau, land and geographical locations (places).*

3. After Jacob received the blessing, what instructions were given to him? What did Esau do in verses 6–9?

Saturday

Read Gen 31. Mark: *Lord/God, Jacob, Isaac, Laban, places, covenant.*

4. Why does Jacob leave Laban?

Sunday

Read Gen 32. Mark: *Lord/God, Jacob, Esau, places, pray, bless/blessed/blessing, sons of Israel.*

5. What happens with Esau? Tell about Jacob's nighttime encounter.

Monday

Read Genesis 33. Mark: *Lord/God, Jacob, Esau, places.*

6. Describe the relationship between Jacob and Esau in this chapter.

Interpretation: *what does the author mean?*

7. Why is *birthright* important to God? Read these cross references and make a list regarding “birthright”. Gen 49:3–4, Ex 13:1–2, 1 Chron 5:1–2, Col 1:13–18, Rom 8:29, Rev 1:5.

8. Compare Jacob and Esau’s interest in the firstborn birthright and their reaction regarding the blessing of the birthright. What is the difference between their responses?

9. What did you learn about marking Laban, Jacob and God in Chapter 31?

10. Jacob prays in Chapter 32: 9-12 and reminds God of his promises. What are God’s promises in this chapter? What are they? Genesis 28:13-15 might help.

11. In chapter 33 you see Jacob and Esau meet. Compare their relationship in Chapter 27 to Chapter 33. How has their relationship changed? Who has changed, and why?

Application: *therefore, what shall I do?*

12. Esau did not consider his future when he gave up his birthright for a bowl of stew. Give an example of a time when you were careful to consider your future.

13. Jacob and Esau’s family had many conflicts (sibling rivalry, favoritism, deceit, etc...) Are you a peace-maker or do you quarrel and resent your siblings? God is faithful and kept His promises despite this family’s conflicts. How has he been faithful to you and your family?

14. Jacob feared Esau and prayed for deliverance. Have you gone into a situation where you were afraid? Have you worried about an outcome in a situation that turned out okay? Share an experience when this happened. What you did during the times that were afraid?

