

Child's Name: _____

Genesis 25:19-34

¹⁹ This is the account of Abraham's son Isaac. Abraham became the father of Isaac, ²⁰ and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah daughter of Bethuel the Aramean from Paddan Aram and sister of Laban the Aramean.

²¹ Isaac prayed to the LORD on behalf of his wife, because she was barren. The LORD answered his prayer, and his wife Rebekah became pregnant. ²² The babies jostled each other within her, and she said, "Why is this happening to me?" So she went to inquire of the LORD.

²³ The LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger."

²⁴ When the time came for her to give birth, there were twin boys in her womb. ²⁵ The first to come out was red, and his whole body was like a hairy garment; so they named him Esau. ²⁶ After this, his brother came out, with his hand grasping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when Rebekah gave birth to them.

²⁷ The boys grew up, and Esau became a skillful hunter, a man of the open country, while Jacob was a quiet man, staying among the tents. ²⁸ Isaac, who had a taste for wild game, loved Esau, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹ Once when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau came in from the open country, famished. ³⁰ He said to Jacob, "Quick, let me have some of that red stew! I'm famished!" (That is why he was also called Edom.)

³¹ Jacob replied, "First sell me your birthright."

³² "Look, I am about to die," Esau said. "What good is the birthright to me?"

³³ But Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore an oath to him, selling his birthright to Jacob.

³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and some lentil stew. He ate and drank, and then got up and left.

So Esau despised his birthright.



EARLY CHILDHOOD

LEVEL 2

HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 39



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Why did Esau give up his birthright?

LESSON RHYME

J—J—Jacob

Took the birthright of his brother

J—J—Jacob

Plotted more sin with his mother

Level 2—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Read the entire booklet to the child. Go back to the appropriate day, reread the content and have the child answer questions about it from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Include personal ideas and additional questions. Read and discuss the daily Bible verse if appropriate for the child. Have the child draw a picture related to the content.
- **Lesson Rhyme:** Read the **Lesson Rhyme** on the next page, saying the sound of the letter instead of its name. Point to each word as you read it. Discuss the meaning of the rhyme. Have the child trace the letter with a finger and say its sound. Practice with the child the signs that go along with the **Lesson Rhyme** (included below). Review and repeat the rhyme every day.
- **Concluding Lesson:** Complete the activities under **Concluding Lesson** at the back of the book.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson rhyme memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

This week I learned

Lesson Rhyme Signs

J—J	Make sign of "J"
Jacob	Hook pinkies together
Took the birthright of his brother	Extend R hand palm up out & draw it back closing it
J—J—Jacob	Same as above
Plotted more sin with his mother	Make evil face & put R hand to chin like thinking. Fists apart & brought together



Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: Who was Isaac? What did God say about the twins Isaac's wife Rebekah would have?

Day 2: What was Jacob like? What was Esau like? To whom would God's promise pass? To whom should it have passed? Why?

Day 3: What is the birthright of the firstborn? What does it mean to scorn? How did Esau scorn his birthright?

Day 4: How did Jacob take advantage of his brother?

Day 5: What did Jacob trick his father into doing? Who had his father wanted to bless? Why do you think that was?

Day 6: How did Jacob get what belonged to Esau? What did God still do for Jacob?

Concluding Lesson

Review: What was Jacob like? What was Esau like? To whom would God's promise pass? To whom should it have passed? Why? How did Esau scorn his birthright? How did Jacob get what belonged to Esau? What did God still do for Jacob?

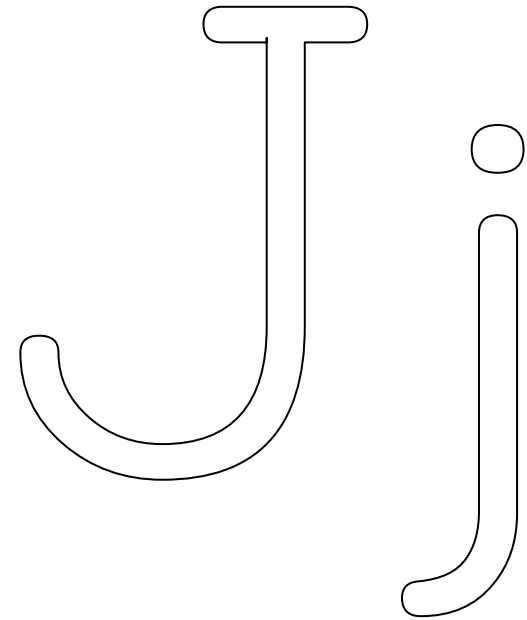
Prayer: Thank God that his goodness towards us does not depend on what we do. Pray that you would want to do what pleases him and in that bring honor to him.

Application: Compare the difference between what God is faithful to do for people and what people fail to do for God.

Dictation: Have the child dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson. Have the child repeat back the dictation, trace over the letters and draw a picture to go with it.

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What did Jacob do to Esau?



J—J—Jacob

Took the birthright of his brother

J—J—Jacob

Plotted more sin with his mother

Day 1 Draw a picture of Isaac and his twin sons.

Abraham's son was Isaac
to whom twin sons were born.
When they were in the womb,
God their mother did forewarn.
God said between the two of them
fighting there would be.
One was quite deceptive,
the other was carefree.

Genesis 25:23: ²³ The LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger."

Day 6 Draw a picture of Jacob with his family.

So Isaac gave to Jacob,
what to Esau did belong.
Cause Jacob was a trickster
and plotted what was wrong.
God faithfully would bless him,
though Jacob chose to sin .
It was through the sons of Jacob,
the Jewish nation did begin.

Genesis 27:34-36: ³⁴ When Esau heard his father's words, he burst out with a loud and bitter cry and said to his father, "Bless me—me too, my father!" ³⁵ But he said, "Your brother came deceitfully and took your blessing." ³⁶ Esau said, "Isn't he rightly named Jacob? He has deceived me these two times: He took my birthright, and now he's taken my blessing!" Then he asked, "Haven't you reserved any blessing for me?"

Day 5 Draw a picture of Isaac blessing Jacob.

When Isaac was quite old
and was about to die.
He decided to bless Esau
before he said good-bye.
Isaac couldn't see well
so Jacob and his mother,
Tricked Isaac into thinking
that Jacob was his brother.

Day 2 Draw a picture of Jacob and Esau.

Jacob was the sneaky one,
he plotted to do wrong.
Esau didn't think ahead,
his feelings carried him along.
God's promise made to Abraham,
to Jacob would be passed.
Though it should have gone to Esau,
since Jacob was born last.

Genesis 27:32-33: ³² His father Isaac asked him, "Who are you?" "I am your son," he answered, "your firstborn, Esau."
³³ Isaac trembled violently and said, "Who was it, then, that hunted game and brought it to me? I ate it just before you came and I blessed him—and indeed he will be blessed!"

Genesis 25:25-26: ²⁵ The first to come out was red, and his whole body was like a hairy garment; so they named him Esau. ²⁶ After this, his brother came out, with his hand grasping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when Rebekah gave birth to them.

Day 3

Draw a picture of Jacob giving Esau stew.

One day when Esau came home
he was as hungry as could be.
He saw Jacob cooking and said,
"Give some stew to me."
Jacob said he'd do so
for the right of the firstborn.
Esau was quite foolish,
his birthright he did scorn.

Day 4

Draw a picture of Jacob and his mother.

Most of that which Isaac owned
to Jacob then would go.
That he wasn't very wise,
Esau sure did show.
Jacob was deceptive;
he took advantage of his brother.
Then he plotted more sin
together with his mother.

Genesis 25:29-32: ²⁹ Once when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau came in from the open country, famished. ³⁰ He said to Jacob, "Quick, let me have some of that red stew! I'm famished!" (That is why he was also called Edom.) ³¹ Jacob replied, "First sell me your birthright."

Genesis 25:33-34: ³³ But Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore an oath to him, selling his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and some lentil stew. He ate and drank, and then got up and left. So Esau despised his birthright.