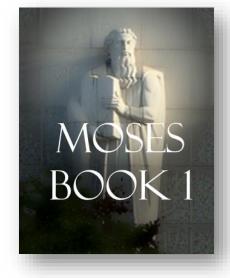


In this chapter, Abraham and Sarah have been dead for a generation and Isaac and Rebekah are growing old with their sons Esau and Jacob who have been in focus for 2 chapters; and the next generation is coming and all the numerous promises of God to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob which are nationalistic promises still being fulfilled by their descendants, heirs of those promises scattered throughout the world in our 21st century.

Isaac is old

<sup>1</sup>And it happened, when **Isaac** was old, and his eyes were dim, so he could not see, he called **Esau** his oldest son, and said to him, My son.



And he answered him, here I am.

- <sup>2</sup> And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:
- <sup>3</sup> And so take, Please, your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt for me some food;
- <sup>4</sup> And make me a savory meal, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless you before I die.
- <sup>5</sup> Now Rebekah was listening when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for food, and to bring it.

The blessing of Jacob obtained by deception

- <sup>6</sup>So Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son, saying, indeed, I heard your father speak to Esau your brother, saying,
- <sup>7</sup> bring me food, and make for me a savory meal, that I may eat, and bless you in the presence of the LORD before my death.
- $^{8}\,\text{Now}$  therefore, my son / Jacob, obey my voice according to what I command you.
- <sup>9</sup> Go now to the flock, and get me from there two choice kids of the goats; and I will make from them a savory meal for your father, such as he loves:
- $^{10}$  and you will take it to your father, that he may eat; that he bless you before his death.
- <sup>11</sup> And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man:



- <sup>12</sup> Perhaps my father will feel me, and I will appear to him a deceiver; and I bring a curse on myself, and not a blessing.
- <sup>13</sup> But his mother said to him, On me be your curse: my son, only obey my voice, and go get me them.
- <sup>14</sup> And he went, and got them, and brought them to his mother: and his mother made a savory meal, such as his father loved.
- <sup>15</sup> And Rebekah took the finest clothes of her oldest son Esau, that were with her in the house, and put them on Jacob her younger son:
- <sup>16</sup> and she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth part of his neck:
- $^{17}$  And she gave the savory food and the bread, which she prepared, into the hand of Jacob her son.
- <sup>18</sup> So he went to his father, and said, My father.

And he said, Here am I; who are you, my son?

<sup>19</sup> And Jacob said to his father, I am Esau your firstborn; I have done just as you asked me:

Arise, please, sit and eat of my food, that your soul may bless me.

- <sup>20</sup> But Isaac said to his son, How is it so quickly that you have found it, my son? And he said, Because the LORD your God brought it to me.
- <sup>21</sup> And Isaac said to Jacob, Come near, please, that I may feel my son, if you really are my son Esau or not.
- <sup>22</sup> So Jacob went near to Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau.
- <sup>23</sup> He did not discern him, because his hands were hairy, like the hands of Esau his brother: so he blessed him.
- <sup>24</sup> And he said, Is this you my son Esau? And he said, I am.
- <sup>25</sup> And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat the hunted food of my son, so that my soul may bless you.

So he brought it near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine and he drank.



- <sup>26</sup> And his father **Isaac** said to him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.
- <sup>27</sup> And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his clothing, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field that is blessed by the LORD:
- <sup>28</sup> Therefore may God give you of the dew of heaven, and the abundance of the earth, and plenty of grain and wine:
- <sup>29</sup> Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you: be master over your brothers, and let you're the sons of your mother bow down to you. Those who curse you be cursed, and those who bless you be blessed.
- <sup>30</sup> And it happened, as soon as Isaac finished blessing Jacob,

and scarcely had Jacob gone out from the presence of Isaac his father,

that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

- <sup>31</sup> And he also made a savory meal, and brought it to his father, and said to his father, Let my father arise, and eat the food of his son, that your soul may bless me.
- 32 And Isaac his father said to him, Who are you?

So he said, I am your son, your firstborn Esau.

- <sup>33</sup> And Isaac trembled violently, a very great trembling, and said, Who then is he who got game, and brought it to me, and I ate all of it before you came, and I have blessed him? yes, and he will be blessed.
- <sup>34</sup> When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, also me, O my father.
- <sup>35</sup> But he said, Your brother came with deceit, and seized your blessing.
- <sup>36</sup> And he said, Is he not rightly named Jacob? for he has overreached me these two times: and my birthright he seized; and, behold, now he seized my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved for me a blessing?
- <sup>37</sup> And Isaac answered and said to Esau, Indeed, I have made him master to you, and all his brothers I have given to him as servants; and with grain and wine I have sustained him: and for you what can I do now, my son?
- <sup>38</sup> And Esau said to his father, Do you have only one blessing, my father?



Bless also me, my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

- <sup>39</sup> And Isaac his father answered and said to him, Behold, the abundance of the earth will be your dwelling, and of the dew of heaven from above;
- <sup>40</sup> And by your sword you will live, and will serve your brother;
- and it will happen when you wander restlessly, you will break his yoke from your neck.
- <sup>41</sup> So Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing which his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart. The days of mourning for my father are near; then I will kill my brother Jacob.
- <sup>42</sup> And Rebekah was told these words of Esau her older son: so she sent and called Jacob her vounger son, and said to him, Indeed, your brother Esau consoles himself regarding you, to kill you.
- <sup>43</sup> And so my son, obey my voice; arise, and flee to Laban my brother in Haran;
- <sup>44</sup> And stay with him a few days, until your brother's anger turns away:
- <sup>45</sup> until your brother's anger turns away from you, and he forgets what you have done to him / I guess Rebekah is already attempting to excuse her complicity: then I will send, and get you from there: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?
- <sup>46</sup> And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am tired of living because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob takes a wife from the daughters of Heth, like these who are the daughters of the land. what good will my life be to me?

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