

WWYG — Session 54

JACOB & ESAU

Genesis 27-28, 32-33

Name _____

Guide _____

Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.
— Genesis 28:15

(1) How many brothers and sisters do you have in your family? Are you the oldest? The youngest? In the middle?

(2) Who are Jacob and Esau? What do their names mean, and why?

(3) Read **Genesis 27:10-45**. Who deserves Isaac's blessing? Who gets it? How does that happen?

(4) What do you think of Jacob? Of Rebekah? Of Esau?

(5) Read **Genesis 28:10-22**. Jacob is running away from Esau. When he dreams, what does he see? What does God tell him?

God blesses Jacob indeed. Twenty years later he has eleven children and has become a rich man in the land of Haran. Eventually he returns home to face his brother Esau. On the way, he has a strange encounter in the middle of the night.

(6) Read **Genesis 32:22-32**. Whom does Jacob meet? What does Jacob want the man to do? What name does Jacob receive, and what does it mean?

(7) What is the strangest part of this story for you?

(8) Why do you think God chose Jacob? Do you think God has chosen you? Why, or why not? What for?

Terms of the Week Discuss the following terms, then write a working definition of each term here.

Isaac —	Rebekah —	Jacob —
Esau —	Laban —	Israel —
Bethel —	Haran —	Peniel —