

**Family**

**Life!**



# **FAMILY LIFE...IN THE BEGINNING**

**TEXTS: GENESIS 25:24-34 (NIV)  
GENESIS 27:1-13 (NIV)**

## **Genesis 25:24-34**

**<sup>24</sup> When the time came for her to give birth, there were twin boys in her womb. <sup>25</sup> The first to come out was red, and his whole body was like a hairy garment; so they named him Esau. <sup>26</sup> 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.**

## **Genesis 27:1-13**

**<sup>1</sup> When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could no longer see, he called for Esau his older son and said to him, “My son.”**

**“Here I am,” he answered.**

**<sup>2</sup> Isaac said, “I am now an old man and don’t know the day of my death. <sup>3</sup> Now then, get your weapons—your quiver and bow—and go out to the open country to hunt some wild game for me.**

**<sup>4</sup> Prepare me the kind of tasty food I like and bring it to me to eat, so that I may give you my blessing before I die.”**

**<sup>5</sup> Now Rebekah was listening as Isaac spoke to his son Esau. When Esau left for the open country to hunt game and bring it back, <sup>6</sup> Rebekah said to her son Jacob, “Look, I overheard your father say to your brother Esau,**

**7 ‘Bring me some game and prepare me some tasty food to eat, so that I may give you my blessing in the presence of the LORD before I die.’<sup>8</sup> Now, my son, listen carefully and do what I tell you:<sup>9</sup> Go out to the flock and bring me two choice young goats, so I can prepare some tasty food for your father, just the way he likes it.<sup>10</sup> Then take it to your father to eat, so that he may give you his blessing before he dies.”**

**<sup>11</sup> Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, “But my brother Esau is a hairy man, and I’m a man with smooth skin. <sup>12</sup> What if my father touches me? I would appear to be tricking him and would bring down a curse on myself rather than a blessing.”**

**<sup>13</sup> His mother said to him, “My son, let the curse fall on me. Just do what I say; go and get them for me.”**

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