

# Jacob

- Gen 25:23 God tells Rebekah the general future of her two sons.
- They grew into two very different men.
  - Esau was strong
  - Jacob was mild and a homebody.
- Gen 25:27–34 Why was Jacob different from Esau?
  - Could it be indifference? Rev 3:15–22 (The indifferent church)
  - Could it be that indifference about God and His will are a sin we should be careful of as well?
- Jacob Steals Esau's blessing Gen 27
  - He was deceitful
  - Esau was robbed and left angry
  - Isaac's blessing would stand for Jacob
- Jacob sent away Gen 28
  - Isaac blessed him and sent him to marry from Rebekah's family
  - Vs 10–16 God places His blessing on Jacob
  - Jacob makes a vow
    - If God does bless him
    - God will be his God
- Jacob's work for Rachel Gen 29
  - Laban's bait and switch vs.23
  - Jacob's reaction vs.25–28
  - Strife between the women Gen 30
  - God's blessing on Jacob as he worked vs. 25–43
  - Jacob didn't seek revenge for the wrongs done to him by Laban
  - Jacob's desire to return to the land promised to him
- Meeting Esau again.
  - Jacob was afraid and sent gifts
  - Esau's welcome
- What became of Esau?
- Are the descendants of Esau the cause of all the trouble in the Middle East?
  - He became the nation of Edom
  - This is now Jordan
  - Petra was part of the kingdom of Edom
- Deut 2:1–21
  - They were eventually absorbed into Israel.
  - Scripture has much to say about Edom
- Num 20:14 1Ch 1:34–52 Ezk 32:29 Amo 2:1
- The Arabs did not come from Esau.