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Lesson #1: JACOB STEALS A BLESSING (GENESIS 27)



The Bible says that Isaac lived a loooong time. He was old and almost blind. But before he died, Isaac wanted to bless his firstborn son, Esau. Isaac wanted God to bless Esau because he hoped God would do wonderful things for Esau.

So, Isaac had an idea. He knew Esau liked to go hunting. So, Isaac told Esau, “Go out in the field and find an animal to shoot with your bow and arrow. Bring the meat home and make a special meal for me. Then I will bless you.”



Rebekah was not happy. She thought Isaac should bless Jacob instead. Rebekah remembered what GOD had said when Jacob and Esau were in her tummy. God had said, “The older will serve the younger.” That meant that somehow, someway, someday Jacob would be over Esau. And that’s what Rebekah wanted to happen.

So Rebekah had an idea. She said to Jacob, “Quick, before Esau gets back! Go and get 2 goats from our flock. I will make the special meal for you to take to Isaac. Then your father will bless you instead.” Jacob said, “But, I am not hairy like Esau. Father will know I am trying to trick him.”





So, Rebekah put some of Esau’s smelly clothes on Jacob. She put some hairy goat skins on Jacob’s hands and neck! Now Jacob smelled and felt like Esau.

Then Jacob took the food into Isaac’s tent. And Jacob did something terrible. He LIED to his father. Jacob said, “I am your son, Esau.” “Hmmm,” Isaac thought. “This sounds like Jacob’s voice.” Isaac felt Jacob’s arm — and it felt hairy like Esau, because of the goatskins. Jacob smelled like Esau, because of the clothes.



So, Isaac thought, “It must be Esau.” Isaac ate the special meal. Then he blessed Jacob. The blessing included land, riches and power. Isaac thought he was blessing Esau, but he really was blessing Jacob!



Then Esau came back home with the animal he had shot with his arrow. Esau cooked the special meal and took it to Isaac. “Here I am with the food, Father. I’m ready for you to bless me.” “What?!” asked Isaac. “Who was just here?! I blessed someone else already!”



Esau was angry! “Bless me, too, Father!” Esau asked. But Isaac said, “I can’t. Jacob already has your blessing! I can’t take it back.” Esau was so angry that he decided he would kill his brother!



So, Rebekah and Isaac told Jacob to go away and stay with relatives. Isaac told him to find a wife. Jacob had to leave home to get away from angry Esau.

We can learn to trust God for *Him* to bless us. We should never lie or steal to get what we want. God always keeps His promises and works out His plan.



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Read Leviticus 19:11 in your Bible.
What does it say?

1. Do not _____.
2. Do not _____.
3. Do not _____.



How do you think God felt about what Jacob did? _____