January 24/Day 24

Genesis 35

Verses 1-4

- Do you remember Bethel from before? It is first mentioned in chapters 12 and 13 as the place Abram camped on his way to and from Egypt. Abram built an altar there and called upon the name of the LORD. Its name means "House of God".
- Who appeared to Jacob when he fled Esau? (Chapter 28)
- What did Jacob tell his household to do with the foreign gods/idols?
- What did he say they needed to do personally after they had done so?
- What did Jacob say God had done? Had God kept His promise?

Verses 5-8

- What kept the cities from pursuing Jacob?
- Meanwhile, what had happened to Rebekah's nurse? Remember, Rebekah was Jacob's mother.

Verses 9-12

- In what way did God speak to Jacob?
- He tells him he will no longer be called Jacob, but now he will be called Israel. He first told him this when he wrestled with him in chapter 32, verse 37.
- What other things did God confirm that we have seen Him promise to Abraham and to Isaac before him?
- What does the last phrase say?

Verses 13-15

• What kind of offering to we see in this passage?

Verses 16-21

- What happened to Rachel on this journey?
- What was the name of this son?
- What is another name for Ephrath, near where Rachel is buried?
- Remember, Rachel was the love of his life.

Verse 22a

• What did Reuben do that Jacob found out about? Leviticus 18:8, "You shall not uncover the nakedness of your father's wife; it is your father's nakedness."

Verses 22b-26

| Leah | Bilhah, Rachel's maid | Zilpah, Leah's maid | Rachel |
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| Reuben | Dan | Gad | Joseph |
| Simon | Naphtali | Asher | Benjamin |
| Levi | | | |
| Judah | | | |
| Issachar | | | |
| Zebulun | | | |

Verse 27

• Where did Jacob find Isaac?

Verses 28-29

- How old was Isaac when he died?
- Who buried him? Do you remember how Ishmael came back to help Isaac bury Abraham?
- Did either Abraham or Isaac receive the promise of God before they died?

Genesis 36

Verses 1-5

• Esau's geneology.

Verses 6-8

- Why did Jacob and Esau have to spread apart?
- Where did Esau live and what is it named?

Verses 9-19

• Notice verse 19 confirms Esau and Edom are synonymous.

Verses 20-30

- What did Anah find while he was pasturing donkeys?
- Do you notice the passages are starting to call some of these men chiefs?

Verses 31-39

- Now we see kings reigning in Edom. Notice the passage says kings ruled in Edom before any king ruled over the sons of Israel. Who is Israel? Who are the sons of Israel?
- We have seen both Rehoboth and the Euphrates River before.

Verses 40-43

• Again, we are told Edom is Esau, the father of the Edomites.

Genesis 37

Verses 1-4

- Where did Jacob live?
- This passage is about Jacob's son, Joseph. Joseph was the first born to Jacob's wife, Rachel. He was the 11th of the sons.
- What did Joseph do as a teenager? This tells us children and teens bore responsibilities in the beginning.
- The sons of Zilpah and Bilhah were Dan, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher. Joseph brought back a bad report about them. This made him popular with his brothers, right?
- What does this passage say about Jacob's feelings toward Joseph? Besides the passage stating he was the son of his old age, why might his be?
- Jacob had another son by Rachel, Jacob's youngest son, Benjamin, but it's possible Jacob blamed him for Rachel's death.
- What did Jacob make for Joseph?
- What did all the other sons know about Joseph and how did they feel about him?

Verses 5-8

- How did they feel about him after his dream?
- What did the dream depict in regard to their status as brothers?

Verses 9-11

- This time Joseph relates his dream to his father as well as his brothers. How did his dad take it? But what else does it say about Jacob?
- How did the brothers feel?

Verses 12-14

- What name do we see used for Jacob now?
- Do you remember above when Joseph brought a bad report back to his father? What id dad asking him to do now?

Verses 15-17

• What was the man in Shechem doing to his field? Why might he be doing this?

Verses 18-24

- What did the brothers plot to do when they saw Joseph coming?
- What name did they call him?
- Who heard about this and talked them out of it?
- What did the brothers do with Joseph instead? Would he have survived long with no water and no protection (clothing) from the elements?

Verses 25-28

- Who came by as they sat to eat? Ishmaelites would be descendants of whom?
- There was a caravan so there were many. What kind of animals did they have? What kinds of things were they bringing to Egypt?
- What idea came to Judah after they saw the caravan?
- Who came by next? Midian was the son of Abraham by Keturah after Sarah died.
- The Midianites pulled Joseph out and sold him to the Ishmaelites. Where were they going?

Verses 29-36

- What did Reuben find when he returned to the pit? What does tearing your garments represent?
- What was his birth order? Does this give us an idea as to why Reuben wouldn't want to lay hands on him?
- Now they have to come up with a story. What do they present Jacob?
- Notice they never actually said Joseph had been killed, they just led their father to believe he had been killed. Is this still a lie?
- How did Jacob respond to this news? Could Jacob find comfort from any of his other children?
- What had the Midianites done with Joseph through the Ishmaelites?
- Who is Potiphar?

See you tomorrow.