

Genesis – Family: “Favoritism’s Fatal Fallacy”

Genesis 27:30-46

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FAMILY! One the crucibles of our soul – it seems the “family” is often fraught with struggle, sibling rivalries are sometimes one-sided - sometimes multi-faceted, favoritisms, struggles to be loved or accepted. Yes, families can bring out the worst in us and others! But, Scripture tells us that “love covers a multitude of sins” [1 Peter 4:8] ~ often, the struggle is “How to love?” What does it look like? . . .

Context: Isaac has remained at Beersheba, called upon the name of the LORD and worshiped Him! In the comforts of life, we find that he and Rebekah are playing favorites with the boys and Isaac has secretly asked Esau to provide a meal of game which he loves so Esau can receive the blessing before Isaac dies. Rebekah overhears and plots for Jacob a deception to receive the blessing . . . deceived Isaac blesses Jacob who skedaddles out just before Esau arrives . . .

Rebekah has acted on the _____
that the _____ will _____ the _____!
She had options - sadly, she chose _____.

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Vs. 32-34

Vs. 35-38

Vs. 39-40

Vs. 41-45

V. 46

*A family-culture of favoritism, dishonor, obstinate disobedience and now deception - its root issue is _____! How can a home that claims to be God-honoring have such sin? Because we are _____. If we are unwilling to be examined by the One True Judge, we easily self-deceive, self-justify and live relationally destructive lives. God has a life-changing grace! Ps 139; Ps 51
The LORD, through His great love and grace is able and willing to make us anew. We are NOT slaves to fear or sin; we ARE saved to freedom and victory over fear and sin ~ let us choose to come to Him . . . This Is Amazing Grace!*

What part of this passage “caught your attention”?

Is God saying something to you? What is it?

How will you respond?