

Genesis – “God Is Faithful, Always!”

Genesis 36

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God is *FAITHFUL* ~ All the time! He is faithful to His promises when we are faithful . . . even when we are not faithful ~ for His promises are for His children’s good! Yes, the consequences of our sinful choices may be bitter . . . but His faithfulness to accept us as we are and then, to work in our lives *KNOW NO BOUNDS!* God IS faithful! . . .

Context: Jacob has faltered several times in his faith-walk; his family has shown that “the apple doesn’t fall far from the tree” especially when the tree continually bears compromised fruit! But God, El Shaddai, God Almighty has given and confirmed His covenant with Jacob-Israel as with Abraham and Isaac - He has provides testimony, proof positive, of His faithfulness to His promises to Jacob, now He does the same for Isaac’s other son, Esau . . .

Genesis 36:1-9

Wives

Adah (of Elon)
Oholibamah (of Anah)
Bsaemath (of Ishmael)

Sons

Eliphaz
Jeush, Jalam, Korah
Reuel

Daughters not named - 36:6

[cp. Gen. 26:34; 28:9]

Differing names of wives & fathers ~

The Edomites: descendants of Esau and the Horites -

[see Obadiah for the prophecy of judgement upon Edom - God’s promise to bless those who bless; curse those who curse]

Vs.10-19

This illustrates the promise of God to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob that their _____ will be as the _____ and _____.

Vs.15-19 5 sons > 14 “dukes” or chiefs

_____ > centuries long enemies of Israel

Vs.20-30 The descendants of Seir the Horite

Amelek, son of Timna (daughter of Seir & sister of Lotan) and concubine of Eliphaz, oldest son of Esau was considered an outcast by families. Forced out to settle their own area, W of Seir. Amalekites were the 1st people to not allow Israel to pass through their land after leaving Egypt.

Vs.31-39 List of chieftains existing to Moses’ time

Vs.40-43

“Lotsa’ names . . . almost endless! We see a few of these names/nations from the list involved in future history. But there is a necessity for use to recognize: Esau’s lineage and Jacob’s lineage are separate!

- Esau’s lineage leads down a path or _____ and _____
- Jacob’s lineage, tho’ containing severe levels of _____, contains the _____!
[cp. Matt. 1:1-16 and Luke 3:23-38]

We have a written record of “who” Jesus truly is! Son of Man and Son of God. Therefore, He can stand in our place as man before His Father-God as God! We have a Savior!!

What part of this passage “caught your attention”?

Is God saying something to you? What is it?

How will you respond?