**In GEN 27: God Still Functions Amidst My Families DYSFUNCTION…**

**-Pastor Dan**

**#1) When Esau’s Wives Bring GRIEF Upon His Parents And Family.**

***34****When* ***Esau*** *was forty years old, he* ***married*** *Judith daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and also Basemath daughter of Elon the Hittite.****35They were a source of grief*** *to Isaac and Rebekah.* Genesis 26:34-35 (See Gen 25:27-28)

**#2) When Isaac Plans To BLESS His Favorite Son, Not God’s Choice.**

*When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could no longer see, he called for Esau his older son and said to him, “My son.” “Here I am,” he answered.* ***2****Isaac said,* ***“I am now an old man and don’t know the day of my death****.* Genesis 27:1-2

***3****Now then, get your equipment—your quiver and bow—and go out to the open country to hunt some wild game for me.****4****Prepare me the kind of tasty food I like and bring it to me to eat, so that I may* ***give you my blessing before I die****.”* Genesis 27:1-4

**Q: There Is A Difference Between A “Birthright” And A “Blessing”.**

**#3) When Mom INTERVENES To Honor Her Favorite Son.**

***5****Now Rebekah was listening as Isaac spoke to his son Esau. When Esau left for the open country to hunt game and bring it back,****6****Rebekah said to her son Jacob, “Look, I overheard your father say to your brother Esau,****7****‘Bring me some game and prepare me some tasty food to eat, so that* ***I may give you my blessing*** *in the presence of the Lord before I die.’* Genesis 27:5-7

***8****Now, my son, listen carefully and* ***do what I tell you****:****9****Go out to the flock and bring me two choice young goats, so I can prepare some tasty food for your father, just the way he likes it.****10****Then take it to your father to eat, so that* ***he may give you his blessing****before he dies.”* Genesis 27:5-10 (See Gen 25:23)

**Life Lesson: You Do Not Have To Manipulate, Connive Or**

**Help God Out With Deceit And Lies.**

**#4) When Son Joins In DECEPTION.**

***11****Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, “But my brother Esau is a hairy man while I have smooth skin.****12****What if my father touches me? I would appear to be* ***tricking him*** *and would* ***bring down a curse on myself rather than a blessing****.”* ***13****His mother said to him, “****My son, let the curse fall on me.****Just do what I say; go and get them for me.”* Genesis 27:11-13

**Lies Grow To Include Clothes And Skin.** Genesis 27:16-17

**Lies Grow To Spiritual Manipulation.**Genesis 27:18-20

**KEY: Lies Always Grow And Build Upon One Another.**

**Lies Grow To Be PERSONAL.**Genesis 27:21-24

**Jacobs Blessing Given.**Genesis 27:27-29

**#5) When Dad’s Favorite Son Taken Out Of The WILL.**

***30****After Isaac finished blessing him, and Jacob had scarcely left his father’s presence, his brother Esau came in from hunting.****31****He too prepared some tasty food and brought it to his father. Then he said to him, “My father, please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may* ***give me your blessing****.”* Genesis 27:30-31

**#6) The Repercussions Of DECEIT Will Last A Long Time.**

***41Esau held a grudge****against Jacob because of the blessing his father had given him. He said to himself, “The days of mourning for my father are near;* ***then I will kill my brother Jacob****.”* Gen 27:41

*When Rebekah was told what her older son Esau had said, she sent for her younger son Jacob and said to him, “Your brother Esau is planning to avenge himself by killing you.****43****Now then, my son, do what I say:****Flee at once to my brother Laban in Harran****.****44Stay with him for a while****until your brother’s fury subsides.****45****When your brother is no longer angry with you and forgets what you did to him, I’ll send word for you to come back from there. Why should I lose both of you in one day?”* Genesis 27:42-45