ISAAC’S FAMILY: BEARING GOD’S BLESSING BY FAITH

Lesson 18

Genesis 25:1–26:33  
Key Verses: 26:24–25

1. Read 25:1-11. Why did Abraham leave everything he owned to Isaac and send other sons away from him? (5) Look at v.12-18. Who were Ishmael’s sons and how was their relationship with other people? (18)
2. Read v 19-26.  How could Isaac pray about his wife’s barrenness for 20 years? (21a) How did God answer? (21b) What did God reveal to her? (23) Read 27-34. Why did Esau sell his birthright to Jacob? (32-34) Why was it significant for his future? (27:33-34, Heb 12:16)
3. Read 26:1-13. How did Isaac confront the similar situation like his father Abraham and how did God help him? (2-5, cf.12:10-20, 20:1-18) How did Isaac obey God and what was the result of his decision? (6, 10-13) Why is this discipline necessary for Isaac?
4. Read 14-33. Why did the Philistines fill up Isaac’s wells with earth? (15-16) How did Isaac deal with this problem? (17-18,21-22) Why did he do so? (25) Why did Abimelech want to make a treaty with Isaac? (28) What can we learn from Isaac who deals with the hostile unbelievers? (22,25,32, Mt5:16, 38-42, Ro 12:17, 1 Pe 3:9)