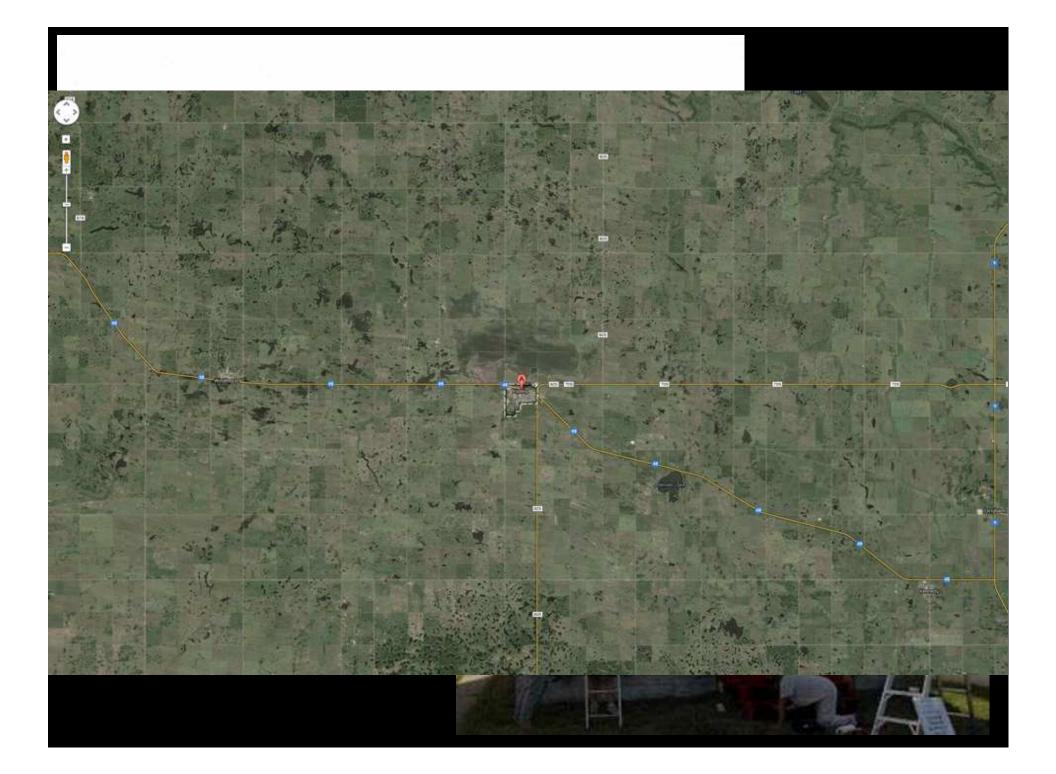
The Birthright











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Genesis 25:5-6

v5 And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

V6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

The Birthright



Hebrews 12:15
v15 looking diligently over lest
any one be failing of the grace of
God, lest any root of bitterness
springing up may give trouble,
and through this many may be
defiled;

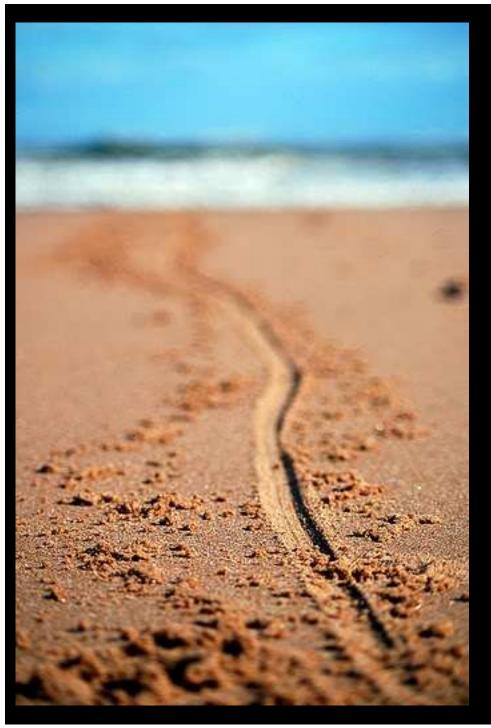
v16 lest any one be a fornicator, or a profane person, as Esau, who in exchange for one morsel of food did sell his birthright.

v17 for ye know that also afterwards, wishing to inherit the blessing, he was disapproved of, for a place of reformation he found not, though with tears having sought it.

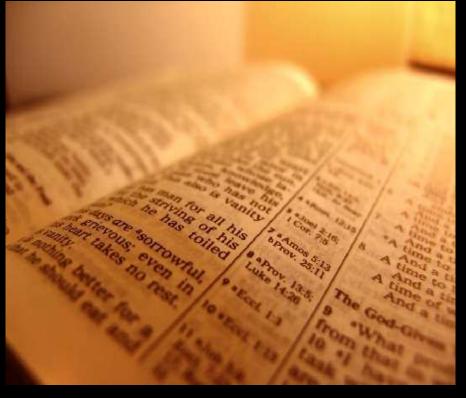


Fornicator / Profane Person - G952 bebe los From the base of G939 (a threshold); accessible (as by crossing the door way), that is, (by implication of Jewish notions) heathenish, wicked: - profane (person).





VALUES



A BRUSH WITH DEATH

BRAINLESS TALES com



Is it OK for Jacob to do this?

- Jacob valued the birthright.
- He struck a fair transaction.
- Jacob's modus operandi is fair.

David and Jacob

David promised the throne.

David valued the throne.

Saul was self absorbed.

Saul stood in the way.

Jacob promised birthright.

Jacob valued birthright.

Esau was self absorbed.

Esau stood in the way.

David patiently waits for God.

Jacob does not.

1 Samuel 24: 12-13

(David to Saul in the cave)

v12 May the Lord judge between me and you, but my hand shall not be against you.

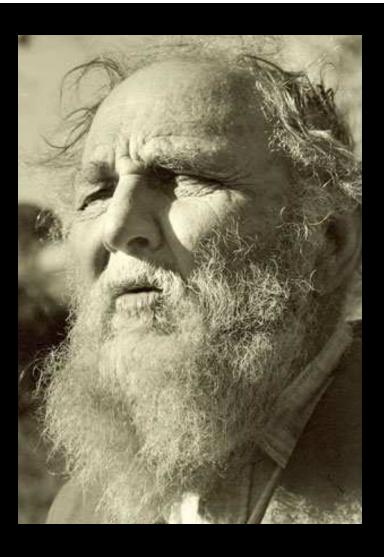
V13 As the proverb of the ancients says, "Out of the wicked comes wickedness." But my hand shall not be against you.



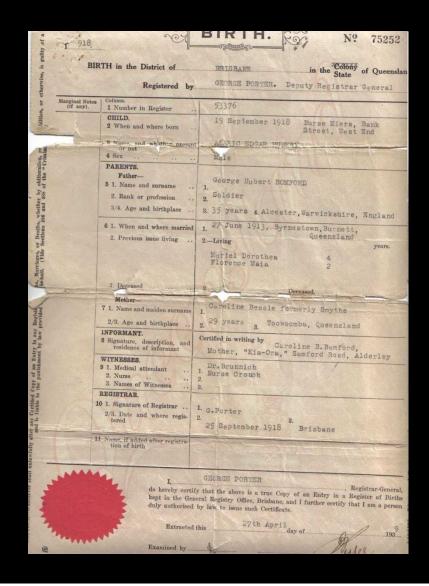
Is it OK for Jacob to do this?

 Jacob fails to wait patiently for God to act.

 Unlike David, Jacob's hand is active against his brother.



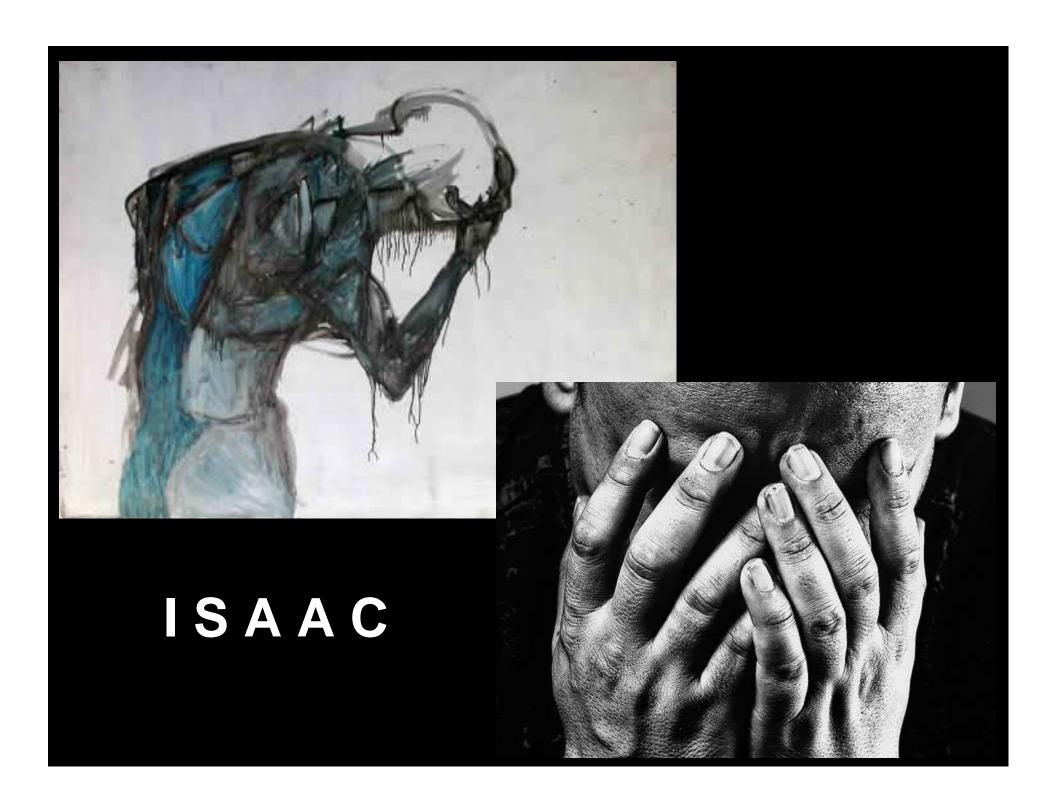
The Blessing



I will establish my <u>covenant</u> between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an <u>everlasting</u> <u>covenant</u>, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. (Genesis 17:7)

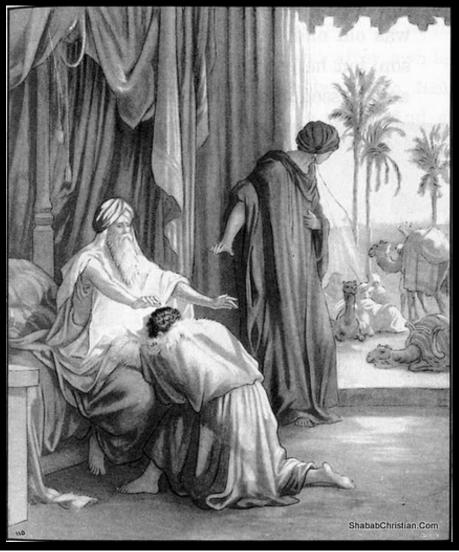
Abrahamic Covenant







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JACOB



take heed...

It is possible to have correct values and spiritually focused motives and still act in a way that is destructive, deceptive, corrupt and out of step with God.

Jer 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?



Christ arrives right on time to die for the ungodly. He didn't, and doesn't, wait for us to get ready. He presented himself for this sacrificial death when we were far too weak and rebellious to do anything to get ourselves ready. And even if we hadn't been so weak, we wouldn't have known what to do anyway.