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WEEK THREE ANSWERS

January 10 Genesis 23:1-24:51

What unfulfilled part of the Gen. 12 covenant does the burial of Sarah highlight? -ownership of the Promised Land

Why was it important for the servant to find a good wife for Isaac? -She would birth and raise the one to receive the promises. The seed of the woman would come through her just as through Sarah, and not through any other offspring of Abraham.

January 11 Genesis 24:52-26:16

What qualities in Rebekah made her good for Isaac?
-She was ready to believe the promises. She sought the Lord's answers and got them. She was affectionate.

Compare Isaac's and Abimelech's attitudes toward Rebekah's chastity. -Isaac seemed cavalier while Abimelech seemed respectful.

January 12 Genesis 26:17-27:46

Which members of Isaac's family seemed most to believe the promises of God? -Rebekah and Jacob ("the older will serve the younger").

What kind of tactics did Rebekah and Jacob use? Deceit.

January 13 Genesis 28:1-29:35

What aspects of the Gen. 12 covenant are affirmed to Jacob and who affirms them? -Isaac affirmed that God would bless and make him a great nation and give him all the Abrahamic promises, including the land. The LORD affirmed he would get the land, his descendants would be numerous and all families of the earth would be blessed through them.

What did the tithe mean to Jacob? -his acknowledgment of God as his God.

What methods did Laban use to get his way? -deceit and trickery.

January 14 Genesis 30:1-31:16

Describe Jacob's home environment. -favoritism, bitterness, rivalry and competition met with compromise and passivity

Describe Jacob's work environment. -using people, greed, deceit, suspicion, distrust, manipulation, stealing, raiding the pension, met with exasperation and divine guidance in sheep breeding

January 15 Genesis 31:17-32:12

The pile of stones was made after what kind of interaction between Jacob and Laban? -explosive argument after years of buildup of complaints, each posturing as the innocent victim of the other's abuse.

What purpose did it serve? -They buried the hatchet and called it even, leaving it to God to judge any further.

January 16 Genesis 32:13-34:31

Why was Jacob willing to sacrifice so much to be at peace with Esau? -The door to stay with Laban in the east was pretty well closed. He needed to assure himself of a warm welcome in the west. He felt guilty for how he treated Esau, having experienced from Laban a good taste of his own medicine.