

HEBREWS 11—BY FAITH

By Faith, Isaac _____! Heb 11:20

I. Backstory – Isaac’s twin sons. (Isaac and their _____) Gen 25

▼ Election according to the foreknowledge of God! Gens 25:19-34

Before these boys were ever born. God said that the **natural order** (that the younger serves the elder) would be _____!
Why? Rom 9:10-13

What about John 3:16, etc...?

▼ *You get tripped up on passages like this when you haven’t really studied your Bible through.*

Consider **Luke 14:26**

Key: understanding biblical hate as it relates to _____ one over another!

1 Peter 1:2a Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father,

Before time, God saw Esau despise his birthright. **Heb 12:16**

It works the same way in salvation. The offer is the same to everyone. **2 Pet 3:9; 1 Tim 2:3-4**

▼ So, don’t dismiss clear Scripture!— these boys, their decisions, their choices...

"This is the way election works: God votes for you and the devil votes against you and you cast the deciding vote." Adrian Rogers

II. Breakdown by Betrayal (Isaac and his _____) Gen 27:22-37

▼ God will _____ their dysfunction for His own glory and for their good!

Vs 22-27 dysfunction comes thru taking feelings over the Word of the Lord (facts.) THE issue, Rom 8:5-6

▼ Instead of trusting God for His Word to Rebekah – she and Jacob are trying to work out God’s will in their own fleshly selfish ways making a mess of their whole family.

Here is the good news. **God is bigger than your _____!** **Proverbs 19:21** *There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.*

III. Believing! (Isaac and his _____!) Gen 27:38-40

Jacob received the first blessing – it’s done. Was it right how the blessing obtained?

▼ KEY: Isaac could see God’s providential hand – even in the frustrations of their current situation! **Psa 76:10; Rom 8:28**

Isaac knew that what Jacob had done was wrong. But he also knew that for some reason God had allowed it.
Isaac didn’t discount God in the equation!

Esau couldn’t see it – he intended to kill Jacob.
Eventually Esau figured out that God was in control and became content.

▼ What is blowing up in your life – could it be that God allowed it to prepare you for HIS PLAN for your life!? BELIEVE God to work out your mess (EVEN THE MESS AN MANIPULATION OF OTHERS IN YOUR LIFE!) for His glory and your good! **2 Cor 1:2-7**

KEY: the mess makers in your life NEED you to be a person of FAITH.