

(Genesis) Genesis 27:18-29

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J. Vernon McGee explores the complexities of Jacob's deception and the implications of Isaac's blessing within God's sovereign plan.

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Description

In this sermon, the preacher discusses the story of Jacob and Esau from the Bible. He emphasizes that God had already blessed Jacob, but Jacob still sought his father's blessing. Jacob deceives his father by pretending to be Esau and brings him venison to eat. Despite Isaac's suspicions, he blesses Jacob, thinking he is blessing Esau. The preacher also criticizes those who claim to be led by God but use it as an excuse for their questionable actions.

Transcript

May I say, you can't help but notice that as you go through here, and the thing that happened now, he came unto his father and said, My father, and he said, Here am I. Who art thou, my son? The voice was not quite the voice of Esau. It was everything else. It was like Esau.

And Jacob said unto his father, I am Esau, thy firstborn. I have done according as thou didst me. Arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.

And Isaac said unto his son, How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the Lord thy God brought it to me. And believe me, this boy at this particular point is a typical, pious fraud. And you find many of them today in fundamental circles.

They talk about the Lord leading them. And sometimes the Lord leads them to do some very unusual things. I find out sometimes that Christian men can do things that if the Mafia did it, and the Mafia does things like that, why, the Mafia would be arrested for it.

But they very piously pray about it and say it's the Lord's will. I'm not always sure about that. And believe me, this boy, Jacob, at this point is a pious fraud.

Because the Lord thy God brought it to me. The Lord had nothing to do with this, friends. Verse 21, And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not.

Isaac suspicioned something. But you see, Rebecca knew Isaac very well. And she had worked this thing out.

And so Jacob went near unto Isaac his father, and he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau. And I think also the older was, too. I don't think there's any question about that.

The hands are the hands of Esau. And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy as his brother Esau's hand. So he blessed him.

And he said, Art thou my very son Esau? And he said, I am. And he said, Bring it near to me, and I'll eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him.

And he did eat, and he brought him wine, and he drank. And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me my son. He came near and kissed him, and he smelled the smell of his raiment.

I told you that was there, friends. And blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is the smell of a field which the Lord hath blessed. Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine.

Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee. Be Lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee. Cursed be everyone that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee.

Now, he's giving a blessing he had received. He's passing it on. But the interesting thing is, it already was Jacob's.

God had said that. God had already blessed. And God is not accepting this at all.

You can write that down.

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