



**A Worship Study Guide for Individuals, Groups and Families for the week of June 19, 2022**

**Who Are You, My Son?**

This week, Pastor Steve Shelby preached from [Genesis 27:14-29](#)

<sup>14</sup> So he went and took them and brought them to his mother, and his mother prepared delicious food, such as his father loved. <sup>15</sup> Then Rebekah took the best garments of Esau her older son, which were with her in the house, and put them on Jacob her younger son. <sup>16</sup> And the skins of the young goats she put on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. <sup>17</sup> And she put the delicious food and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

<sup>18</sup> So he went in to his father and said, "My father." And he said, "Here I am. Who are you, my son?" <sup>19</sup> Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, that your soul may bless me." <sup>20</sup> But Isaac said to his son, "How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?" He answered, "Because the LORD your God granted me success." <sup>21</sup> Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Please come near, that I may feel you, my son, to know whether you are really my son Esau or not." <sup>22</sup> So Jacob went near to Isaac his father, who felt him and said, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." <sup>23</sup> And he did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands. So he blessed him. <sup>24</sup> He said, "Are you really my son Esau?" He answered, "I am." <sup>25</sup> Then he said, "Bring it near to me, that I may eat of my son's game and bless you." So he brought it near to him, and he ate; and he brought him wine, and he drank.

<sup>26</sup> Then his father Isaac said to him, "Come near and kiss me, my son." <sup>27</sup> So he came near and kissed him. And Isaac smelled the smell of his garments and blessed him and said,

"See, the smell of my son  
is as the smell of a field that the LORD has blessed!

<sup>28</sup> May God give you of the dew of heaven  
and of the fatness of the earth  
and plenty of grain and wine.

<sup>29</sup> Let peoples serve you,  
and nations bow down to you.

Be lord over your brothers,  
and may your mother's sons bow down to you.

Cursed be everyone who curses you,  
and blessed be everyone who blesses you!"

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- Have ever been **tempted to play a role to impress** someone? How did that go?
  - What kinds of **things go on in your soul** when you try to **gain something through illegitimate means**?
  - **What does Rebekah do** to execute the plan described in last week's text (14-17; cf. [Genesis 27:1-13](#))
  - How does **Jacob go about deceiving** his father? (18-27a)
  - Why is **verse 20 particularly offensive**?
  - A couple of things **nearly give Jacob away. What were they?** (20, 22)
  - This whole scene is weirdly intimate and awkward all at once. **Why do you think Jacob goes to these lengths to get the blessing?**
  - Read Isaac's blessing in verses 27b-29. **How do you think it felt for Jacob to receive this blessing from his father that was not actually for him?**
  - Even though His name was profaned and His blessings usurped, the LORD will ultimately keep His promises. He will answer Isaac with a blessing that far surpasses what he could ask or think. Isaac's pride in Esau asks for successful farms, supremacy in the family, and an empire, despite the prophecy of Genesis 25:23. But the LORD has in mind the Messiah. Our Heavenly Father knows the world will be blessed through the gift of His Son. **Repent and pray together** in light of this week's passage.

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