

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE CHURCH (IBC) LINZ

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...then you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. Jn.8:32

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

16:08:15

Theme: UNGODLY PLOT TO OBTAIN BLESSING

Memory Verse: *Job 13:6-7 “Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips. [7] Will ye speak wickedly for God? And talk deceitfully for him?”*

Texts: Genesis 27:1-29

God's promise to Abraham and Isaac has been established at this time. Isaac, seeing that his days were drawing to an end wanted to pass the blessing to Esau the older son. Rebecca, because of the revelation she had concerning the two children before they were born, wanted Jacob to inherit the blessing. We need to understand that God at that time only revealed the future of both children based on their perceived character. Surely the Omniscient should know, as a free moral agent, their destinies were going to be shaped by their individual decisions.

The future of the children had been revealed to Rebecca before their birth. When she heard of Isaac's plan to bless Esau, she moved quickly. Rebecca and Jacob, taking the advantage of the loss sight of Isaac, outsmarted Esau for the blessing. Rebecca intention to obtain the blessing for her younger son, Jacob was good, but the means was bad. The lesson for us is that we should examine the way we do things and see whether it agree with the Bible. We should not at all times depend on God for direction. Rebecca employed deception. Jacob, her son, knew the implication, was hesitant but not strong enough to resist his mother's determination to push him on.

As parents, we hurt the lives of our children with what we teach them. Rebecca having perfected the plot gave Jacob the venison to take to his father to eat. He took the advantage of his father's dim sight. In spite of the precautions taken by aged Isaac to avoid making a mistake, he was all the same deceived by Rebecca and Jacob. As believers, we learn from this not to depend on our senses alone but rather walk in the Spirit. All the senses of man can not protect him from the cunningness of the devil. To overcome, we need the help of the Omniscient.