
DAILY READING

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THE STOLEN BLESSING

27 When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could not see, he called his older son Esau and said to him, “My son.”

And he answered, “Here I am.”

2 He said, “Look, I am old and do not know the day of my death. **3** So now take your hunting gear, your quiver and bow, and go out in the field to hunt some game for me. **4** Then make me a delicious meal that I love and bring it to me to eat, so that I can bless you before I die.”

5 Now Rebekah was listening to what Isaac said to his son Esau. So while Esau went to the field to hunt some game to bring in, **6** Rebekah said to her son Jacob, “Listen! I heard your father talking with your brother Esau. He said, **7** ‘Bring me game and make a delicious meal for me to eat so that I can bless you in the Lord’s presence before I die.’ **8** Now, my son, listen to me and do what I tell you. **9** Go to the flock and bring

me two choice young goats, and I will make them into a delicious meal for your father—the kind he loves. ¹⁰ Then take it to your father to eat so that he may bless you before he dies.”

¹¹ Jacob answered Rebekah his mother, “Look, my brother Esau is a hairy man, but I am a man with smooth skin. ¹² Suppose my father touches me. Then I will be revealed to him as a deceiver and bring a curse rather than a blessing on myself.”

¹³ His mother said to him, “Your curse be on me, my son. Just obey me and go get them for me.”