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God's World. God's Story.



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My Portion, God's Promises

Genesis 25-26

Big Idea: *My portion is found in God's promises*

Outline:

**1. Isaac: God's Portion is Spacious, Sufficient, and Satisfying
(Gen. 26)**

a. Isaac Gets God's Portion through His Father's Promises.

b. Isaac Gets the Same Sin Problems of Abraham and Adam.

c. Isaac Gets God's Present Provision and a Lasting Land.

**2. The Philistines and Esau: the World's Portion is Enticing but
Ultimately Empty (Gen. 25)**

a. The Envious Philistines Quarrel for More

b. The Indulgent Esau Chooses an Empty Bowl

Application:

Which portion will you choose?

Which portion will you pass on?

Discussion Questions:

1. Why do you think the promises of God to Abraham continue to dominate the focus of the story of Genesis?
2. How does Jesus relate to the promises of God given to Isaac? (Genesis 26:3-4, 24) And how do *we* benefit from these promises?
3. How did Isaac respond to the quarrelsome Philistines? How should we respond to envious and quarrelsome people in our lives? (Matthew 5:43-48, Romans 12:14-21)
4. What can we learn about God's blessings from Isaac's well-digging in the wilderness?
5. Do you feel sorry for Esau in this passage? Why or why not?
6. What's wrong with the "portion" that the world offers? How is it similar to Esau's empty bowl?
7. What "portion" have you chosen? The world's (Psalm 17:14) or God's (Psalm 16:5, 73:23-26)?
8. How can we "pass on" God's promises to the next generation?

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