

GENESIS 35:16b -36

I. Death of Rachel: Birth of Benjamin

1. Rachel names her baby BeaOni (child of my sorrow) Israel changes his name to Benjamin (son of my right hand). Where was she buried? From chapter 30:1 what was her prayer?
2. Israel moves on toward home, what incident is recorded next?

II. Genesis 35 Sons of Jacob - What do you learn about each of his sons strengths and weaknesses, from Israel's final blessing over each in chapter 49?

The sons of Leah.

Reuben the first:

Simeon and Levi:

Judah:

Issachar:

Zebulun:

Sons of Leah's maidservant Zilpah:

Gad:

Asher:

Sons Rachel's maidservant - Bilhah

Dan:

Naphtali

Sons of Rachel.

Benjamin:

Joseph:

III. Jacob came home to his father, Isaac in Hebron (home of Abraham and Isaac)

3. What do you learn about Isaac, and Esau and Jacob, from 27 & 28?

IV. ESAU'S DESCENDANTS. Chapter 36

Even though the names of his descendants are difficult to pronounce, Much can be learned from this chapter. The two wives from Canaan and their children are listed, Verse 9 gives the name of this tribe of people, Edomites, and they will settle in the hill country of Seir. (Edom means red, remember how this was linked to Esau, since his birth).

4. Why did Esau move his family to Seir? What does this show about him as a man?

Verse 20 described another mother of his children - the Horite (region he moved to...)
Notice 7 more wives are listed, and in verse titles are given to them. (Horite chiefs).

Chiefs indicate different tribes, Esau was the father of 14 tribes, blessed with large families.

Verses 31 - *** These are the Kings who reigned in Edom before any Isrelite king reigned!"

5. What do you see by this statement?

Verse 40 Sums up Esau's family description: What can we learn from this?

