

Summit Woods Baptist Church  
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Genesis 26

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read Genesis 26.

1. Recall, what major transition took place in Genesis 25?
2. What event occurs in v. 1? Does this sound familiar?
3. What did the two similar situations in the life of Abraham result in?
4. What occurs in v. 2? What does God instruct Isaac to do?
5. What promises does God make to Isaac in vv. 3-4? Where have we heard these promises before?
6. What reason does the Lord offer for the final promise in v. 5?

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❖ Day 2

Read Genesis 26 again.

7. What does Isaac appear to do in v. 6?
8. Explain his actions in v. 7 in light of vv. 1-5. What is he doing? What is he not doing? What is he believing? Who or what is he most concerned about? Etc.
9. Is Isaac any different than Abraham? Would he be the one to fulfill the blessing of all the earth promised to Abraham or the one to crush the serpent's head?
10. What do vv. 8-11 demonstrate about the character of God? What does he do when his children act like Isaac? Is the God of Isaac the same God of Abraham?
11. Describe the events in vv. 12-14. What does this teach us about God?

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12. Describe the actions of the Philistines in vv. 14-16. How did the Philistines continue to interact with Isaac in vv. 17-21? How does this interaction sometimes reflect that of the world toward Christians?

13. What motive of Isaac is seen in v. 22? How does this relate to God's promises?

14. What does the Lord reaffirm to Isaac in vv. 23-25? For whose sake does God say he will act in v. 24?

15. How does Isaac respond? Where have we seen this before?

❖ Day 3

Read Genesis 26 again.

16. Who does Abimelech come to meet Isaac with? Why do you think he would bring these other men?

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17. What is clear about what Abimelech is seeking in vv. 28-29? Is he telling the truth?
18. How does Isaac respond to this request in vv. 30-31?
19. What is the significance of vv. 32-33 in this narrative?
20. Why do you think vv. 34-35 are included in this chapter? What storyline is this continuing that we studied in ch. 25?
21. What is the significance of this chapter in the book of Genesis?
22. What is the significance of this chapter in redemptive history?
23. What are some ways this chapter impacts your life, your understanding of sin, your understanding of God, your understanding of redemptive history, etc.?

In preparation for Sunday, pray ...