

February 3rd, 2019 || **Genesis 26-50** || Isaac, Jacob, Joseph

Seeing God's Big Story, Fitting Our Story Into His Story

ONE BIG STORY Timeline

2100 B.C.	2000 B.C.			1875 B.C.
Job	Abraham	Isaac	Jacob	Egypt

Biblical Outline

Genesis 26 - God's promise passes to Isaac from Abraham

Genesis 27 - Jacob cheats Esau out of the blessing

Genesis 28 - Jacob sent to Laban in Haran to find a wife and escape the wrath of Esau

Genesis 29 - Jacob marries Leah and then Rachel

Genesis 30 - Leah and Rachel combine to have 11 sons for Jacob

Genesis 31-32 - Jacob leaves Haran and returns to Canaan to meet Esau

Genesis 33-36 - Jacob finds peace and is established in the land

God changes Jacob's name (cheater) to Israel (God strives with him)

Genesis 37 - Joseph dreams about his family bowing down and he is sold into slavery

Genesis 39 - Joseph falsely accused in Potiphar's House

Genesis 40 - Joseph interprets dreams in prison

Genesis 41 - Pharaoh dreams and Joseph interprets the dreams from God

Genesis 42-44 - Joseph's brothers come to Egypt looking for food from Joseph

Genesis 45 - Joseph reveals his identity and provides for his family

Genesis 46 - Israel & Family come to Egypt

Genesis 47-49 - Israel blesses his 12 sons in Egypt

Genesis 50 - Israel dies and Joseph proclaims God's sovereignty over his circumstances

Theological Takeaways:

- God is faithful to keep his promises for a land, descendants and a blessing.
- These "greats of the faith" are not perfect. Their lives are very messy.
- God is using imperfect, messy people in imperfect, messy circumstances to accomplish his perfect and beautiful plan!

Application Points:

- Sin is when we wanting to be God and in control of our own story.
- Faith is realizing that we are not God and that He ultimately knows what is best.
- We have many opportunities in the midst of the big story and our story to think that God has lost control or that God doesn't know what he is doing.
- God hasn't lost control or left you. He knows where you are and is right there with you in the midst of whatever messy circumstances you are in.

UP NEXT: February 10, 2019 || **Exodus 1-4** || Moses