

Study Guide on Genesis 25:19-34

New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Genesis 25:19-34

(Genesis 25:18) They settled from Havilah to Shur which is east of Egypt as one goes toward Assyria; he settled in defiance of all his relatives.

(Genesis 25:19) Now these are the records of the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham became the father of Isaac;

(Genesis 25:20) and Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah, the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean, to be his wife.

(Genesis 25:21) Isaac prayed to the LORD on behalf of his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD answered him and Rebekah his wife conceived.

(Genesis 25:22) But the children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is so, why then am I this way?" So she went to inquire of the LORD.

(Genesis 25:23) The LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb; And two peoples will be separated from your body; And one people shall be stronger than the other; And the older shall serve the younger."

(Genesis 25:24) When her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.

(Genesis 25:25) Now the first came forth red, all over like a hairy garment; and they named him Esau.

(Genesis 25:26) Afterward his brother came forth with his hand holding on to Esau's heel, so his name was called Jacob; and Isaac was sixty years old when she gave birth to them.

(Genesis 25:27) When the boys grew up, Esau became a skillful hunter, a man of the field, but Jacob was a peaceful man, living in tents.

(Genesis 25:28) Now Isaac loved Esau, because he had a taste for game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

(Genesis 25:29) When Jacob had cooked stew, Esau came in from the field and he was famished;

(Genesis 25:30) and Esau said to Jacob, “Please let me have a swallow of that red stuff there, for I am famished.” Therefore his name was called Edom.

(Genesis 25:31) But Jacob said, “First sell me your birthright.”

(Genesis 25:32) Esau said, “Behold, I am about to die; so of what use then is the birthright to me?”

(Genesis 25:33) And Jacob said, “First swear to me”; so he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.

(Genesis 25:34) Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew; and he ate and drank, and rose and went on his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?