



GALILEE KIDS

ISAAC THE PROMISED SON

All the promises given by Jahvah to Abraham got fulfilled through his promised son Isaac.

Isaac was born to Abraham and Sarah in their old age. The promised son was named Isaac, which means laughter. He was circumcised on the eighth day according to God's commandment.

Sarah, thinking that the father's legacy will fall on the firstborn Ishmael, hated Hagar and her son. Hence on God's command Abraham banished his maid and her son from his household.

They went away and lived in the desert.

Isaac like his father Abraham was faithful to god. He grew up as a loving and obedient son of his parents. Sarah died at Hebron. She was buried in the cave of Mach-pelah. When Abraham reached ripe old age, he sent his faithful servant Elayasar on an important mission to find a bride for his son. Jahweh helped Elayasar find a beautiful young girl, Rebecca. She was the granddaughter of Abraham's brother Nahor and the sister of Laban. Elayasar gave the ornaments and gifts sent by his master to Rebecca. He took her to Isaac's house with the permission of a parent and brother Labaan. Isaac married Rebecca.

Isaac and Rebekah had no children. So they prayed devotedly do Jahveh. God heard their prayers. Two children were born to them - Esau and Jacob. Rebecca loved Jacob more, whereas, Isaac had greater love for Esau.

Eventually this becomes a cause for quarrel.

When he was hungry for more Esau sold his birth right to his younger brother Jacob for a plate of stew. As per the Jewish law, the eldest son had the right for half of his father's property, the right to retain the family name and the right to receive father's blessings.

When Rebecca was pregnant, God told her that Two Nations will be born out of her room and that the Elder will serve the younger. Everything happened accordingly.

PRAYER:

O loving God, enable us to grow up as obedient children like Isaac. Help us to respect and obey our parents.

OUR DECISION:

We will live as obedient children of God who love all equally.