



GENESIS Chapters 23–25: A Bride For Isaac

Chapter 23 – The Death of Sarah

- 1 **Sarah lived to be a hundred and twenty-seven years old**
Isaac was 37 at this time
- 2 **Hebron** – Sudden death?
- 3-6 **You are a mighty prince among us** – Good reputation
- 7-11 **... the field, ... the cave** – Abraham just wanted the cave.
Ephron barter for him to take the field also.
- 12-15 **four hundred shekels of silver** – 10 pounds
- 16-20 **So the field and the cave in it were deeded to Abraham** -
In this cave was buried not only Sarah but also Abraham (25:9),
Isaac and his wife Rebekah, and Jacob and Leah (49:29-31;
50:13).

Chapter 24 – A Bride For Isaac/ A Bride For Jesus

- 1-4 **chief servant** – Eliezer (15:2) –Not named here. The Holy
Spirit does not bring attention to Himself (John 15:26)
- 5-6 **Make sure that you do not take my son back there** -
Jesus is not going to come back to this land (The earth), we
will be brought to him to meet him in the air. Then we will
come with him in Judgment.
- 7-10 **Nahor** – To snore
- 11-14 **By this I will know** - A fleece
- 15-16 **Very beautiful...a virgin** – The church is described as the
virgin bride of Christ (2Corinthians 11:2)

- 17-21 **drew enough for all his camels** – 10 camels capable of drinking
20 to 50 gallons each.
- 22 **a beka** - (half a shekel, i.e., 1/5 ounce) and two gold bracelets
weighing 10 shekels (4 ounces).
- 23-25 **the daughter of Bethuel, the son that Milcah bore to Nahor** –
Abraham's family (22:20-24)
- 26-31 **a brother named Laban** - In that society a woman's brother gave
his sister in marriage - Laban, Rebekah's brother, was the
negotiator in this marriage contract.
- 32-36 **he has given him everything he owns** – Eliezer testifies of the
son.
- 37-61 **"I will go"** – The bride makes a personal decision to go to the son.
- 62 **Isaac** - The first mention of Isaac since chapter 22
Beer Lahai Roi – Well of living water
- 63-67 **he married Rebekah** - Isaac was 40 years old now and Abraham
was 140.

Chapter 25 – Esau & Jacob

- 1-5 **Abraham took another wife** – And had six other sons.
- 7-8 **gathered to his people** – Death is not the end
- 9-18 **Ishmael** – 12 sons
- 19-23 **Two nations are in your womb** – Twins
Divine election – Romans 9:10-16
- 24-26 **Esau** – "hairy"
Jacob – "heel-catcher" - supplanter
- 27-28 **Esau** was a man's man, **Jacob** was a momma's boy
- 29-34 **So Esau despised his birthright** – See Hebrews 12:16-17