



Jacob and Esau

Isaac's younger son, Jacob, cheated his father and older brother and yet God helped him change and become a good person. Jacob's story shows us how God's love is truly greater than all our faults and failings.

Isaac and Rebecca had twin sons. One day Esau, the first born who held the birth-right to his father's wealth, came home to find his younger brother, Jacob, preparing soup. Hungry, he agreed to give up his birth right for a bowl of soup.



Know Now: *Jacob* is a common male name that means "to follow, to be behind". Related names are: James, Jakob, Jake, Jack, Jak, Jacobus.

Movie: *Esau and Jacob* by Michael James Boyd is a YouTube version of this fascinating biblical narrative specially made for children.



Years later, Isaac, who had lost his sight, told Esau to hunt an animal and serve him a meal before he could grant him the birth right. Rebecca heard this and asked Jacob to serve the meal to his father. But he was afraid because Esau was hairy and if Isaac touched him and found out he would be very angry. Rebecca made Jacob put on Esau's clothes and covered him in goat's skin. Isaac was deceived and granted him the birth right. Esau realised he was cheated and wanted to kill Jacob but Rebecca sent Jacob away to an uncle's house.

On the way, God appeared and granted protection to Jacob, besides promising him the land called Bethel.



"I will be with you and protect you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done all that I have promised you."

Genesis 28: 15

Practice singing 'I will sing for the mercies of the Lord forever...'
Narrate the story of Jacob and Esau, and the importance of Jacob's stone, at home.
Just like Jacob's stone, the altar in your home is also a reminder that God always protects and is present in your family.





The letters given below are in a numerical order. If you have read the story, you will be able to find the words using the numerals.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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