Selling Out

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27 So the boys grew. And Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field; but Jacob was a mild man, dwelling in tents. 28 And Isaac loved Esau because he ate of his game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

29 Now Jacob cooked a stew; and Esau came in from the field, and he was weary. 30 And Esau said to Jacob, "Please feed me with that same red stew, for I am weary." Therefore his name was called Edom.

31 But Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright as of this day." 32 And Esau said, "Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?" 33 Then Jacob said, "Swear to me as of this day." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.

34 And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

I. It's Prayer produced a miracle.

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A. It still does! The power of your word in prayer!

(NKJV) Mk 11:22 So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God.
23 For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.
24 Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

25 "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. 26 But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses."

- 1. Isaac pleaded-- you have to first ask:
- 2. verse 24 –whatever you ask when you pray
- 3. James said: you don't have because you don't ask (NKJV) Mt 17:20 So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.
- 4. Therefore, ask for the impossible!
- 5. Verse 25 see the condition of standing righteously before God and standing righteously before your brother

II. Two Nations

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- A. Two Nations like Two Natures
 - 1. you must be born again
 - 2. (NKJV) Jn 3:3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."
 - 3. if any man is in Christ

(NKJV) 2 Co 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

(NKJV) 2 Co 5:16 Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.

Leave the old nation

NKJV) Eph 4:20 But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

4. There is a struggle within! We have a new nature

(NKJV) 2 Pe 1:3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, 4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

- 5. The natural man is initially stronger, but the natural man will serve the spiritual!
- B. We have the same struggle daily. Live in the new kingdom!

(NKJV) Eph 4:25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. 26 "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 nor give place to the devil. 28 Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. 29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

III. The twins are born

(NKJV) Ge 25:24 So when her days were fulfilled for her to give birth, indeed there were twins in her womb. 25 And the first came out red. (*Like the earth Hebrew word Adam*) He was like a hairy garment all over; so they called his name Esau. 26 Afterward his brother came out, and his hand took hold of Esau's heel; so his name was called Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

- A. One represents natural things the other spiritual things
- B. holding on the heel means the spiritual trying to restrain the flesh to keep it from being born
- IV. They became the product of their parents. They had generational spirits. If you study you will see those worked out in the lives of both of them.
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- A. Esau was sports minded, irresponsible he paid no attention to the things of the family
 - 1. a man of the field. The word field means the world in the Bible.

(NKJV) Mt 13:38 The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one.

- 2. This indicates that Esau was a man of the world.
- 3. He was successful in the world's dealings. Skillful
- 4. he was a businessman
- 5. he was able to attend to the flesh

- B. Jacob was a family person he kept family affairs at heart.
 - 1. The softer side of the family
 - 2. not the aggressive person
 - 3. dwelling in tents he did not have a home in this world he was a wanderer he had no solid place in the world
- C. Esau was physical --- Jacob was spiritual
- D. what do you spend your time around? Where's your energy being spent?
- E. what man are you nurturing? Whatever you feed it will grow! will
- V. The results

(NKJV) Ge 25:29 Now Jacob cooked a stew; and Esau came in from the field, and he was weary.

- A. Jacob was occupied with doing things of the house. He was cooking
- B. Esau had been out in the field. Notice that work in the world makes one weary. Jacob had been dealing with spiritual things.
- C. Man does not live by bread alone
- D. Esau has caught nothing of substance. The things of the world cannot satisfy you. You become weary and money after the things of the world.
- E. Jesus said: whoever drinks of this water shall thirst again but he has water to drink which one will not thirst again

VI. **30** And Esau said to Jacob, "Please feed me with that same red stew, for I am weary." Therefore his name was called Edom.

- A. Actually, the word "stew" it's not in the Bible. This means he did not know what he was asking for. He was really saying feed me some of that same red stuff.
 - 1. how often we take on stuff of the world and don't know what it is.
 - 2. What becomes more important is what we see with our eyes.
 - 3. How many deals have we entered in to receive nothing in exchange.
- B. He wants the things of the world
 - 1. sex and pleasure
 - 2. possessions and position
 - 3. recognition and fame
 - 4. sports and recreation

VII. 31 But Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright as of this day."

- A. What is the birthright?
 - 1. it meant to be number one in the family to be the head of the family
 - 2. it would come after the death of the father
 - 3. it was a tremendous blessing in itself
- B. Jacob had his mind focused on the birthright. The things to come
 - 1. the things of the future
 - 2. the blessings of his father
 - 3. the blessings of Abraham and Isaac
- C. we have a birthright also. A birthright as sons of God

- we are a royal priesthood, a holy nation. We have the power of God at our disposal.
 (NKJV) 1 Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10 who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.
- D. Jesus had a birthright and Satan tried to get him to sell his (NKJV) Mt 4:8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.' " 11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

VIII. (NKJV) Ge 25:32 And Esau said, "Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?"

- A. Now think, he was not about to die. All here to do was go back to his father's house and he would have plenty of food.
 - 1. But all he can see for the moment is what is in front of him
 - 2. he sees the delicious food he can smell its aroma
- B. he felt satisfying his physical urges at the moment was more important then any idea of the birthright
- C. how often so many of us look at things today and don't think of the consequences tomorrow.
 - 1. How many of us think we have to have something today and if we don't get it we perished
 - 2. all we have to do is ask and we get whatever we ask of the father
- IX. (NKJV) Ge 25:33 Then Jacob said, "Swear to me as of this day." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.
- X. The same struggle of the twins is within us

(NKJV) Ro 8:5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

A. We should not run after the pleasures of this world

(NKJV) 1 Ti 5:6 But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives.

B.

(NKJV) 2 Ti 3:1 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: 2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters,

proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

- XI. Esau sold out. Are you selling out also?
 - A. Have you chosen things of the world over the things of God?
 - B. What is your pottage? What is your red stuff?
- XII. Jesus gives you the opportunity to be born again. To be born of the father. To be born of God. To become a royal priesthood. With the promise to meet all of your needs.
 - A. this is the moment you need to sell out. Sellout 100% to Jesus and he will take care of your natural needs.
 - B. Sellout to God
 - C. sellout of all that you have in the world and turn to him. Whatever you give up he will give back more to you.

(NKJV) Mk 10:28 Then Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You." 29 So Jesus answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, 30 who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time—houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions—and in the age to come, eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

Don't Sell Out To The World

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