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 (33) And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city is Beersheba unto this day.
 (34) And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
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Chapter 27

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 (2) And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:
 (3) Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take me *some* venison;
 (4) And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.

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 (2) And he said, Look now, I am old {137 years old}, I do not know the day of my death:^{a**}
 (3) Therefore I ask you to take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and take for me *some* venison {deer meat};
 (4) And make me delicious meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless you before I die.

26:33h - Shebah {שֶׁבַע} - seventh, oath

26:33i - Beer-sheba {בְּאֵר שֶׁבַע} - "well of an oath"; Gen. 21:31

27:2a - Isaac is 137 years old. Jacob and Esau are 77. Isaac will die 43 years after this at an age of 180 – 23 years after Jacob returns to Canaan from 20 years in the east. Joseph will be 29 at the time of Isaac's death and will be in prison in Egypt.

- See: Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History

40th year of Esau's life

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137th year of Isaac's life – Jacob and Esau are 77

[**2245 A.H./C-1797 B.C.]

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(5) And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for venison, and to bring it.*

(6) And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

(7) Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.

(8) Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee.

(9) Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth:

(10) And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death.

(11) And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I *am* a smooth man:

(12) My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing.

(13) And his mother said unto him, Upon me *be* thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me *them.*

(14) And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.

(15) And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

(5) And Rebekah heard when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for venison {deer}, and to bring it.*

(6) And Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son, saying, Listen, I heard your father speak to Esau your brother, saying,

(7) Bring me venison {deer meat}, and make me delicious meat, that I may eat, and bless you before the LORD {Jehovah} before my death.

(8) Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command you.

(9) Go now to the flock, and fetch me from there two good kids of the goats; and I will make them delicious meat for your father, such as he loves:

(10) And you shall bring *it* to your father, that he may eat, and that he may bless you before his death.

(11) And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Indeed, Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I *am* a smooth man:^b

(12) Perhaps my father will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing.

(13) And his mother said to him, Your curse *be* upon me, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch *them* for me.

(14) And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made delicious meat, such as his father loved.

(15) And Rebekah took good clothing of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

27:11b – see Gen. 25:25

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(16) And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

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(17) And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

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(18) And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I; who *art* thou, my son?

(18) And he came to his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here I *am*; who *are* you, my son?

(19) And Jacob said unto his father, I *am* Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.

(19) And Jacob said to his father, I *am* Esau your firstborn; I have done as you have requested of me: I ask you to arise, sit and eat of my venison {deer meat}, that your soul may bless me.

(20) And Isaac said unto his son, How *is it* that thou hast found *it* so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought *it* to me.

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(21) And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou *be* my very son Esau or not.

(21) And Isaac said to Jacob, I ask you to come near, that I may feel you, my son, whether you *are* my very son Esau or not.

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(23) And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

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(24) And he said, *Art* thou my very son Esau? And he said, I *am*.

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(25) And he said, Bring *it* near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank.

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(26) And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.
(27) And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed:
(28) Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:
(29) Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed *be* he that blesseth thee.
(30) And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.
(31) And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.
(32) And Isaac his father said unto him, Who *art* thou? And he said, I *am* thy son, thy firstborn Esau.
(33) And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that hath taken venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, *and* he shall be blessed.

(26) And his father Isaac said to him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.
(27) And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his clothing, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the LORD {Jehovah} has blessed:
(28) Therefore God give you of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:
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(34) And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.
(35) And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing.
(36) And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?
(37) And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?
(38) And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.
(39) And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;
(40) And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.
(41) And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

(34) And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceedingly bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.
(35) And he said, Your brother came with deception, and has taken away your blessing.
(36) And he said, Is he not rightly named Jacob {deceiver}? Because he has deceived me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, indeed, now he has taken away my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved a blessing for me?
(37) And Isaac answered and said to Esau, Look, I have made him your lord, and all his brothers I have given to him for servants; and with corn and wine I have sustained him: and what shall I do now to you, my son?
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(39) And Isaac his father answered and said to him, Indeed, your home shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;
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27:41c - death of Isaac – Gen. 27:2 – see Gen. 35:28-29

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(42) And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.

(43) Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran;

(44) And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away;

(45) Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?

(46) And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

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(1) And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

(2) Arise, go to Padanaram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

(3) And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

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