## L2.20 "Isaac Inherits the Promises"



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Read Together: Sarah died in Hebron at the age of 137 years old. God had allowed her to watch her son grow into a man. Shortly after Sarah died, Abraham sent his servant back to his own country to find a wife for Isaac. When the servant arrived at the well outside the city of Nahor, a young woman named Rebekah came to draw water. The servant had prayed asking that the young woman who gave him water to drink and offered to water his camels would be the one chosen to be Isaac's wife. Rebekah did exactly that. The servant found out that Rebekah was the granddaughter of Abraham's brother Nahor. Rebekah agreed to

leave her family, go to Canaan, and marry a man she had never met. Isaac was forty years old when he and Rebekah were married. Abraham died at 175 years of age and lived to see the birth of Isaac's sons. This was further evidence that God's promise of giving Abraham many descendants would be fulfilled. After Abraham died, God spoke to Isaac and made the same promises to him that He had made to Abraham. God said that He would give all the land of Canaan to Isaac's descendants, and that they would be as numerous as the stars in heaven. God promised that in Isaac's seed, all the nations would be blessed.

**Read Together:** Genesis 23-26 (select portions according to your child's comprehension level. This could be done over several days.)

## Discuss:

- Point out to your child that Abraham had seven other sons who are named in the Scriptures Ishmael (from Hagar), and Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah (from Keturah). However, Isaac was the son of promise.
- Discuss with your son or daughter the qualities the servant was looking for in a wife for Isaac by seeing if she would give him water and offer to water his camels.
- Talk to your child about the blessing Rebekah's family gave her. How does her blessing relate to the promises God gave to Abraham and his descendants?
- Ask your child how they think Isaac may have felt when God appeared to him personally. Would that be very encouraging for Isaac?

## **Review Memorization:**

Hebrews 11:17–18 "By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, 'In Isaac your seed shall be called,' concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense."