HIGH PRICED BOWL OF SOUP GENESIS 25

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Introduction:

Notice: Each name listed is the ancestors of Jesus. And each name listed is the first born son with the exception of one. That one individual can be found in Gen. 25.

1. Esau The First Born Son of Isaac

A. Was a cunning hunter, and a man of the field. (vs. 27)

B. Was a profane person.

(Heb 12:16 KJV) "Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright."

1. Does not mean he used profanity but rather lived for worldly things.

C. Sold his birthright.

1. Being the oldest son he was entitled by law and custom to receive twice as much as a younger son's portion. 2. Was also some day to be regarded as the head of the family.

3. Came home from hunting one day with no food, and was very hungry, and sold his birthright to his brother, for a meal.

4. He repented for his choice, not to God but to Isaac.

a. Esau never mentions God in the whole book of Genesis.

b. Esau only repented of his bargain, not his sin.

c. Esau sought restitution, not pardon.

d. Even with tears Esau found no mercy.

2. Results of Esau Choice.

A. He had a temporary need temporarily met.

B. He lost the privileges of being the first born son.

C. He lost his father's blessing.

1. All the crying in the world couldn't change his problem. (Gen.27:34-40)

D. Was not included in the ancestry of Christ.

3. Lesson We Can Learn From Esau.

A. There is always someone who wants to take our birthright, or us to sell out.

B. We need to see what we lose when we make choices.

C. To live for yourself, with only today in view, will always be costly.

D. We need to go to the right place to have our needs met instead of the wrong crowd.

E. Small compromises often lead to bigger sacrifices.

F. We can however learn from our mistakes and make better choices next time.

(Gen 36:4 KJV) "And Adah bare to Esau **Eliphaz;** and Bashemath bare Reuel;"

- 1. Eliphaz means strength of God.
- 2. Reuel means joy of God.