

Jacob & Esau **Battle Between the Brothers**

In Genesis 27:36 Esau says, “Isn’t he rightly named Jacob?” In the Hebrew language, Jacob means “grabber.” The name Jacob also means “he deceives” or “supplants.” In the following verses, how does he live up to his name?

Genesis 25:26

Genesis 25:33

Genesis 27:18-29

Genesis 32:26

In Genesis 32:11-12 what does Jacob say to God?

Jacob held God to His word. What were the results of Jacob’s faith in God’s promises?

Did Esau have a right to carry a grudge?

What attitude did Esau have when he finally meets his brother Jacob again?

What is Jacob’s name changed to? Why? How is this a fulfillment of God’s promise to Abraham?

Have you ever been deceived by someone close to you? How did you react? Did you retaliate?

Jacob held God to his word. What words has God given us that we can hold fast to? (See Titus 1:1-4) How is this carried out in worship?

As a result of trusting God, Jacob prospered. What does the Bible say is our reward for trusting God and His Word? Who is responsible for this faith? How is this faith nurtured? (See Romans 10:17)

Is there anyone you have not forgiven because they deceived you? How might you follow Esau’s example and forgive them?