

Study Notes and Questions for Genesis 25 and 26

Chapter 25

- What was the name of the woman Abraham took as a wife after Sarah died?
- How many children were born to Abraham after Sarah died?
- What did Abraham do to protect his son Isaac from the children who had been born to him through Keturah?
- What promise was fulfilled through the sons that were born to Ishmael?
- What did Rebekah and Sarah have in common as recorded in **verse 21**?
- How did Isaac respond to his wife's barrenness?
- What were the names given to the twin sons of Isaac and what did their names mean?
- What is a birthright and who usually receives it?
- How long were Isaac and Rebekah married before they had children?
- How would you describe the personality and temperament of Esau?
- How would you describe the personality and temperament of Jacob?
- How did their parents respond to their personality differences?
- What does the story of Esau selling his birthright for some stew tell you about him as a man?
- How is Jacob true to his given name in this story of the stew and the birthright?

Chapter 26

- List all the ways chapter 26 is similar to Genesis 20? What are the differences?
- What does **verse 12** tell you about how God is able to bless His children?
- Why do you think the digging and using of wells was such a point of dissension in those days? What did a well of water signify?
- Why did the King of Gerar want to make a peace treaty with Isaac?
- What do the final two verses of the chapter tell you about Esau and how do they further illustrate his character?