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As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.
Genesis 50:20

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:

Parent Signature: _____



Unit 3 • Session 1

JACOB AND ESAU

Genesis 25; 27

**WHO IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING?
GOD IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH.
NOTHING IS OUTSIDE OF GOD'S GOOD PLAN.**

Isaac and Rebekah had twin sons named Jacob and Esau. Esau was born right before Jacob was, which meant Esau was the firstborn son. Their father Isaac loved Esau because he hunted and caught wild animals for him to eat. But Rebekah loved Jacob.

One day, Esau came home in from the field feeling very hungry. Jacob was cooking a stew, and Esau asked to have some. Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau thought he would die of hunger, so he agreed to give Jacob his birthright to have some of the stew.

Many years later, Jacob and Esau's father Isaac was old and knew he was near the end of his life. Isaac called Esau to him and asked him to go hunt a wild animal for him to eat. Then Isaac would give him his blessing.

Rebekah heard what Isaac said and made a plan to trick him. She made a delicious meal for Isaac. She told Jacob to take the meal to his father Isaac and pretend to be Esau. Even though Isaac could not see very well, Esau was much hairier than Jacob. Rebekah took Esau's clothes and put them on Jacob. She also took some of the skin of the goats and put it over Jacob's neck and hands so he would feel hairy like Esau. Then she gave Jacob the food, and he brought it to Isaac. Isaac was tricked, and he blessed Jacob instead of Esau.

Christ Connection: God's covenant with Abraham continued to the next generation. Esau sold his birthright, giving Jacob the right to the wonderful blessings God promised to his father Abraham. Through Jacob's family, God would send the promised Savior to bring blessing and salvation to the world.

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