

The Deception Of Isaac

Jacob: From "Red" To "White"

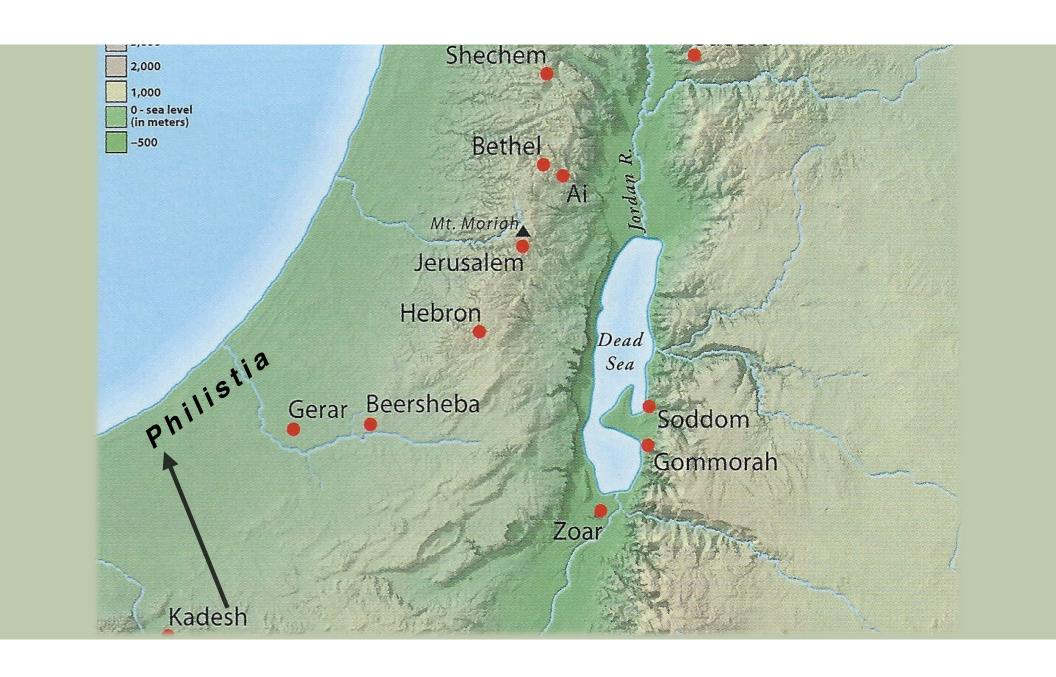
Give at least 3 reasons why Jacob is such a deceptive person.

When does Jacob first find God?

(Why is this a crucial and central event?)

Gen. 26:2 The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. Gen. 26:3 Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham.

Gen. 26:4-5 I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because Abraham obeyed me and kept my requirements, my commands, my decrees and my laws."



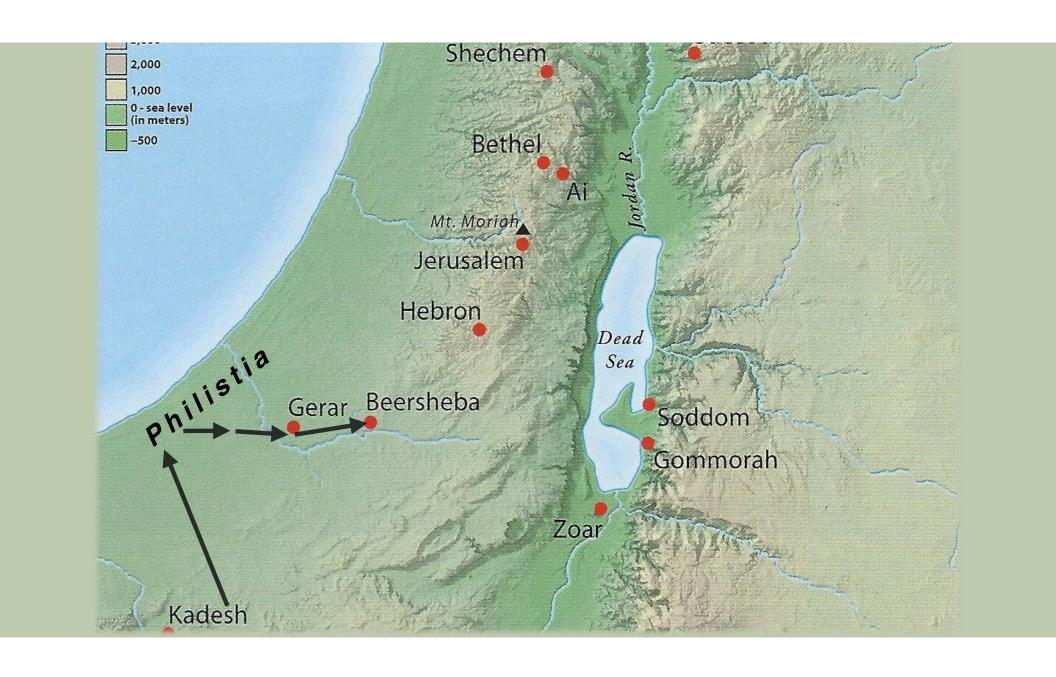
Isaac The Deceiver Isaac The Blessed

Gen. 26:2-22 Deception
Accusation
Opposition

Gen. 26:23 From there he went up to Beersheba.

Gen. 26:24 That night the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am the God of your father Abraham. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bless you and will increase the number of your

descendants for the sake of my servant Abraham.



Gen. 26:30 Isaac then made a feast for them, and they ate and drank.

Gen. 26:31 Early the next morning the men swore an oath to each other. Then Isaac sent them on their way, and they left him in peace.

Gen. 26:32 That day Isaac's servants came and told him about the well they had dug. They said, "We've found water!" Gen. 26:33 He called it Shibah, and to this day the name of the town has been Beersheba.

Isaac The Blind Isaac The Deceived

The Deception

Rebekah

Jacob

The Lord!

Gen. 27:20 Isaac asked his son,

"How did you find it so quickly, my son?"

"The LORD your God gave me success" Lie #1

Gen. 27:24 "Are you really my son Esau?" he asked.

"I am" Lie #2

The Blessing

Gen. 27:28 May God give you of heaven's dew and of earth's richness — an abundance of grain and new wine.

Gen. 27:29 May nations serve you and peoples bow down to you. Be lord over your brothers, and may the sons of your mother bow down to you. May those who curse you be cursed and those who bless you be blessed

The Realization

Gen. 27:35 "Your brother came deceitfully and took your blessing."

Gen. 27:36 Esau said, "Isn't he rightly named Jacob? He has deceived me these two times: He took my birthright, and now he's taken my blessing!"

Then he asked, "Haven't you reserved any blessing for me?"

Heb. 12:16 See that no one is sexually immoral, or is **godless like Esau**, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son. For you know that even afterwards, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought for it with tears.

Gen. 27:38-40 Esau said, "Do you have only one blessing, my father? Bless me too, my father!"

Then Esau wept aloud.

- Isaac said, "Your dwelling will be away from the earth's richness, away from the dew of heaven above.
- You will live by the sword and you will serve your brother.
- But when you grow restless, you will throw his yoke from off your neck."



Hebron

BeerSheba

Edom

Kadesh Barnea

Gen. 25:23 And the LORD said to Rebekah,

"Two nations are in your womb;

And two peoples shall be separated from your body;

And one people shall be stronger than the other;

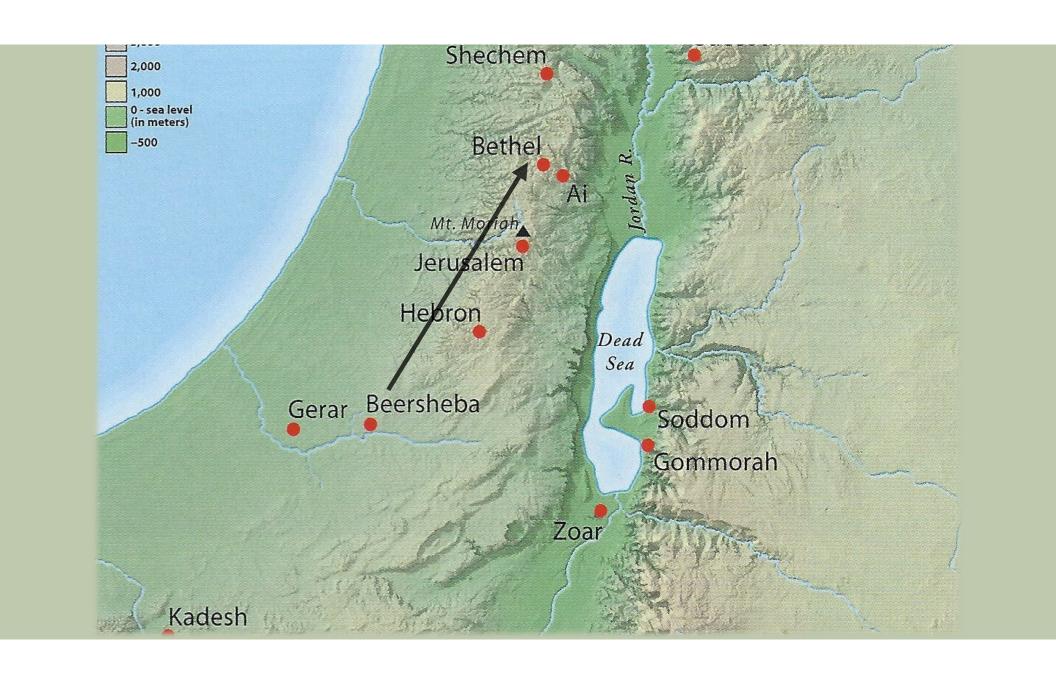
And the older shall serve the younger"

The Resolution From "Red" To "White"

Gen. 27:46 Rebekah said to Isaac, "I'm disgusted with living because of these Hittite women. If Jacob takes a wife from among the women of this land, from Hittite women like these, my life will not be worth living."

Gen. 28:1 So Isaac called for Jacob and blessed him and commanded him: "Do not marry a Canaanite woman.

Gen. 28:2 Go at once to Paddan Aram, to the house of your mother's father Bethuel. Take a wife for yourself there, from among the daughters of Laban, your mother's brother.



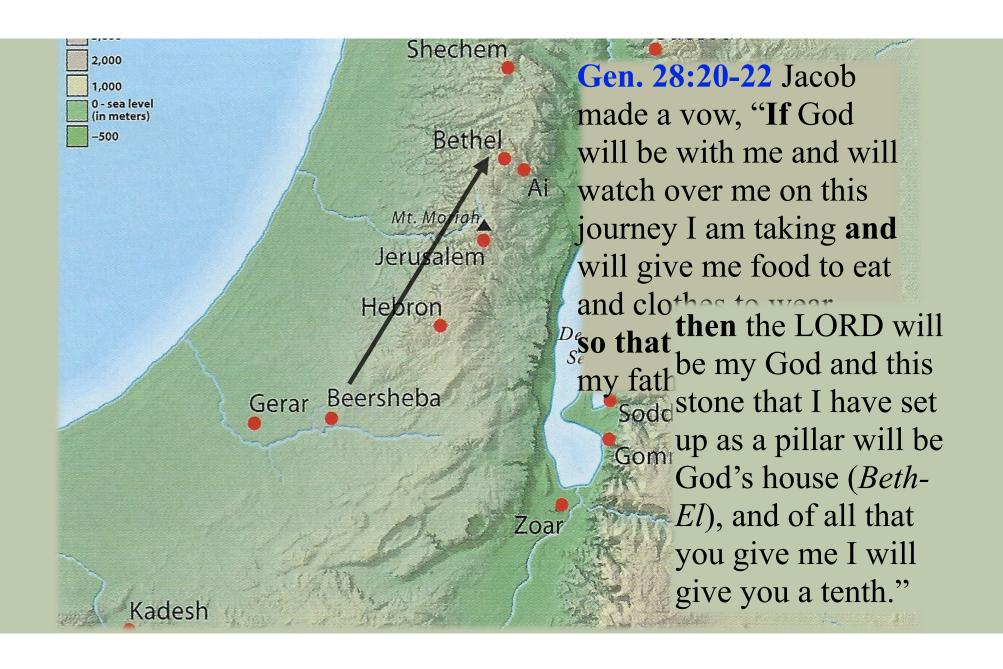


Gen. 28:12-15 He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying.

Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring.

I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."





Jacob In The House Of Laban

How are Rachel and Leah similar to Rebekah? What are their motives for having children? Examine Jacob's relationship with Laban.