Discussion 17

The Glory of YHVH Elohim

(Ascending the Mountain with the Offering)

Primary Content (From 1 Sefer Moses, the Book of Beginnings):

- Chapter 31 The Climb or The Ascension
- Chapter 32 In Mourning
- Chapter 33 Given to Drink
- Chapter 34 Journey Home
- Chapter 35 The Well of Living Water
- Chapter 36 Jacob and Esau

Additional Reading (Comparison Texts):

• Genesis 23-26 from the Inspired Version of the Bible

Kabbalistic Concepts:

- Ascension
- Glory
- Living Water
- Seeking the Face of YHVH
- Shekinah

Notes Before Reading:

Sorry about how large the reading is for this section. I tried to divide the content for each of the discussions on chapter boundaries using both the Inspired Version of Genesis and the chapters in the plates of brass, and make some effort to create lesson plans that didn't divide up chapters from either of those two sources. In most cases, that made for reasonable sized lessons, but these chapters don't sub-divide easily. So, ... I just included them all in one discussion.

Reading:

Chapter 31 - The Climb or The Ascension				
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Discussion Ideas	
1. And it came to pass that after Hagar was sent away that Abraham and Sarah took another wife, and her name was Qeturah and she bore him six sons who's names were: Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and	25:1 Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name was Keturah.25:2 And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.	25:1 Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name was Keturah. 25:2 And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.	So that's new, Keturah was a wife of Abraham AND Sarah, not a wife of Abraham AFTER Sarah died. What is the point in this new detail? Does it change anything? Its interesting that the	
Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.	25:3 And Jokshan begat	25:3 And Jokshan begat	plates of brass does not refer to the other wives as	

- 2. And it came to pass that Abraham gave gifts unto these sons, and sent them away from Isaac, his son with Sarah, while he yet lived, Eastward, unto the East country;
- 3. And Abraham did continue to care for Hagar and Ishmael, and Qeturah and her sons as was his obligation; and he did fulfill all his duties unto them;
- 4. But to Isaac was given the covenant, and so it was that it was the son of Sarah by him that he kept nearest to his heart, and unto the others a portion was given and these he sent on their way; and this made Sarah to rejoice in her heart.

- Sheba and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.
- 25:4 And the sons of Midian: Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.
- 25:5 And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.
- 25:6 But unto the sons of the **concubines** which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts and sent them away from Isaac, his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

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concubines, which sounds nicer, but ... he still gives the covenant to Isaac and merely supports the others financially. How is that "equal"? And if they aren't equal, what's the point in saying they weren't concubines?

I think it is interesting that what the JST calls "all that he had" the plates of brass call "The Covenant"

- 5. ¶ And it came to pass that after these things, Ha'Elohim did call unto Abraham, and said unto him: Abraham!
- 6. And Abraham answered, saying: Lo! Behold, here am I.
- 7. And Ha'Elohim said: Take now thy **beloved** son, Isaac, whom thou lovest the most of all thy seed, and get thee into the land of Moriah;
- 8. And there, ascend upon one of the mountains of which I will tell thee, and there thou shall offer thy son fully unto me.
- 9. And after this, Abraham worried and pondered: How shall I separate my son Isaac from Sarah, his mother, that I may take him up for to sacrifice him as an offering unto YHVH?

- 22:1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did try Abraham and said unto him, Abraham. And Abraham said, Behold, here am I.
- 22:2 And the Lord said, Take now thy son, thine **only** Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I will tell thee.
- 22:1. And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.
- 22:2. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

The idea that "offer thy son fully" is not to offer a blood sacrifice of his son is an interesting twist on this.

Melchizedek - Chapter 5
5:17. ¶ And Adam escaped away and was gathered up by YHVH and taken to a garden in the bosom of his true mother, Eden; and here, in the garden was he

The connection I'm making by showing Melchizedek 5 here for comparison is that it appears that he's probably going to teach Isaac the keys of creation.

10. And Abraham came into
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the tent of Sarah, and he sat
before his wife, and as she
saw him, being troubled,
she spoke unto him, saying:
My son, Isaac, is grown; it is
time that he learn the
mysteries of YHVH Elohim,
even that which
Melchizedek did teach unto
us;

given wives, and taught the ways of Alohykm.

5:18. And here he was given the seven keys of YHVH, the very keys of creation.

- 11. Now tomorrow, I pray thee, go forth and take him to the mountain of YHVH, and there he will learn the ways of YHVH:
- 12. For thou shall teach our son to know YHVH by the signs and tokens given us, as well as to know that when he prayeth continually before YHVH, Ha'Elohim will answer him;
- 13. Therefore, do this, I pray thee, that our son will know the way of serving YHVH, his Elohim.
- 14. And Abraham was troubled in his heart no more for getting his son away from his mother, for he had seen the will of YHVH manifest before his eyes;
- 15. Yet this was still a hard and terrible thing he thought to do, and there rose up much sorrow within the man Abraham.
- 16. ¶ And it came to pass that Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and went unto the place of which God had told him.
- 17. And it came to pass that on the **third day**, Abraham **lifted up his eyes and saw** the place afar off, and they rose up and gathered up wood that he should burn an offering to YHVH.
- 18. And Abraham said unto the two young men: Abide you here with the ass, and I and my son will go yonder, and worship, and then

- 22:3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son,
- 22:4 And clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.
- 22:5 Then on the third day, Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place afar off.
- 22:6 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide you here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder, and worship, and come to you again.
- 22:3. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.
- 22:4. Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.
- 22:5. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

Why the 3rd day? Is this a reference to the 3rd day of creation? Or the day of resurrection? Neither? Both?

What is the significance of lifting up your eye's and seeing? In Neum 1:3, the prophetess tells us to do this thing, twice, with explanation points.

"Lift up your eyes on high and behold! Who is it that has created all things? Lift up your eyes on high and see!"

Is this passage about Abraham talking about the same thing Neum is talking

come back here to you again.			about?
19. And Abraham took the wood for the offering and laid it upon Isaac's back; and he took the fire in his hand, and his athame, and Isaac his son; and they walked up, united together in their purpose. 20. And Isaac did speak unto Abraham, his father, and said: Father? 21. And Abraham said, Here am I, my son. 22. And Isaac said: Behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for an offering?	22:7 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it upon his back; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and Isaac his son; and they went both of them together. 22:8 And Isaac spake unto Abraham, his father, and said, My father! And he said, Here am I, my son. 22:9 And he said, Behold the fire and the wood. But where is the lamb for a burnt offering?	22:6. And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 22:7. And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?	
23. And Abraham said: My son, Elohim will personally provide a lamb unto us for the offering; and the two of them went on, both of them together, united in their purpose .	22:10 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering. So they went both of them together ,	22:8. And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together .	
24. ¶ And it came to pass that they came to the place of which Ha'Elohim had shown unto Abraham; and Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. 25. And Isaac spoke unto to his father, saying: Bind me securely and place me there upon the altar lest, in fear I turn and move, or break loose from the force of the knife upon my flesh to profane the offering. 26. And Abraham bound Isaac, his son, and Isaac struggled not; and Abraham laid his beloved son on the altar, upon the wood, and stretched forth his hand to take up the knifed with the	and they came to the place of which God had told him. 22:11 And Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac, his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. 22:12 And Abraham stretched forth his hand and took the knife to slay his son.	22:9. And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. 22:10. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.	If we view this allegorically, are we Abraham, or are we Isaac? Or is there some way to view it where we are both?

intent to slaughter his son:			
27. And the angel of YHVH called unto Abraham from out of heaven, saying: Abraham! Abraham! 28. And Abraham said: Here am I! 29. And the angel of YHVH said: Lay not thine hand upon thy son, neither do thou anything to harm him; 30. For thou knowest that thou fearest Elohim, seeing thou hast not withheld thy beloved son, thine only Isaac, son of Sarah from thy seed, from me.	22:13 And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven and said, Abraham! Abraham! And Abraham said, Here am I. 22:14 And the angel said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou anything unto him; 22:15 For now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only Isaac, from me.	22:11. And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. 22:12. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.	Certainly, this passage is intended to invite us to reflect on 1 Moses 22:6-7 "Abram! Abram! And Abram said: Here am I!" When Abram was himself upon the alter.
31. And at no time did I say the but this thou feared for the gradient; 32. And behold: ye both now Ha'Elohim and the Yachad Yasent, the Messiah of the worl	see that was a similitude of chid Echad which shall be		Abraham and Isaac both got to see from the perspective of YHVH, the offering of the Messiah.
33. And as Abraham understood, he lifted up his eyes and looked; and he beheld, behind a thicket, there was a ram, and he caught it by his horns; 34. And Abraham went, and took the ram, and offered him up for an offering in the stead of his son; and he and Isaac did eat of it in remembrance of the Son of Man that should come.	22:16 And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked; and behold, behind a thicket, there was a ram caught in it by his horns. 22:17 And Abraham went, and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.	22:13. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.	
35. ¶ And it came to pass that vision in the fire that night as teach his son all he knew of Y	the fire burn on and began to		This appears to be a reference to 1 Moses 26:19-23.
36. And Abraham called the name of that place YHVH Yir'eh, or YHVH Will Provide; for on the Mountain of YHVH it shall be provided .	22:18 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh, as it is said unto this day: In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen .	22:14. And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen.	

- 37. ¶ And the angel of YHVH called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, saying: Thus saith YHVH: A covenant had been made in the heavens before the world was by created by Ha'Elohim,
- 38. That because this Adam hath done this thing, and hast not withheld his beloved son, the only son of Abraham and Sarah, from me,
- 22:19 And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time and said,
- 22:20 Thus saith the Lord, I have sworn by myself that because thou hast done this thing and hast not withheld thy son, thine only Isaac, from me,
- 22:15. And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,
- 22:16. And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the Lord, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

- 39. And even though I did not ask of it, yet thou wast willing to give him, and that in offering to thy Elohim, I will bless thee for the life of thy son, but not by his death;
- 40. And in this covenant which Ha'Elohim hath made before thou wast born ye shall be blessed, Adam, in multiplying.
- 41. And before the world was, thou was told: I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is upon the seashore;
- 42. And thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed because thou shouldst obey my Voice.

- 22:21 That in blessing I will bless thee; and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven and as the sand which is upon the seashore.
- 22:22 And thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed because thou hast obeyed my voice.
- 22:17. That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;
- 22:18. And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.
- The plates of brass make continual reference to the idea that God did not ever ask Abraham to sacrifice Isaac. This is a major change in the narrative, but since we (the world today) aren't in the practice of sacrificing our own children like other cultures have been throughout time, so this change isn't changing our view of what God intended. So then, what is the significance of this re-emphasis of the storyline?

- 43. And behold, I knew this of thee before we made the covenant here upon this earth, you and I, and because I knew, I made an everlasting covenant, yea, and even a new and everlasting covenant with thee and with thy household, and **with every generation** to spring forth from thee unto the end of the earth.
- 44. But know thou this, and teach it unto thy seed and them to teach their seed after thee, unto every generation unto the end of the earth: I, YHVH, take no joy in the

shedding of blood;

- 45. Yea, and all life is precious unto me; therefore, know ye, both thou and thy seed, that I shall never require the sacrifice of thee, or thy seed, nor of any of thy family, nor any other Adam;
- 46. For such is an abomination unto me, and life should never be shed except to save a life, even as thy father and mother, Noah and Na'amah, taught thee.
- 47. ¶ And it came to pass that after Abraham had finished instructing his son, he and Isaac returned unto the young men, and they rose up and went to Bearsheba; and Abraham dwelt at Bearsheba.

22:23 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

22:19. So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beersheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beersheba.

Chapter 32 - In Mourning				
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1. And it came to pass that after these, Isaac was anointed, and Abraham had returned home that it was told unto Abraham, saying: Behold, Milcah, she hath also borne children unto thy brother Nahor; Huz is his firstborn, and Buz is his brother. 2. And Kemuel is the father of Aram, and Chesed, and Haza, and Bildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel; and Bethuel begat Rebekah. 3. These eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother; and his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, Thahash, and Maachah.	22:24 And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, 22:25 Behold, Milcah, she hath also borne children unto thy brother Nahor; Huz is his firstborn, and Buz is his brother. 22:26 And Kemuel is the father of Aram, and Chesed, and Haza, and Bildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel; 22:27 And Bethuel begat Rebekah. 22:28 These eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother; and his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, Thahash, and Maachah.	22:20. And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor; 22:21. Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram, 22:22. And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel. 22:23. And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother. 22:24. And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.	The fact that "out of nowhere" it mentions Isaac's anointing makes me wonder if we are stepping our way through a temple story and we are supposed to have noticed a washing at some point, or other steps or ordinances.	
4. ¶ And now it came to pass that Abraham was along in years, and YHVH	24:1 And now Abraham was old, being well stricken in age; and the Lord had	24:1. And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the Lord had blessed		

had blessed him in every way.

- 5. And so, it came to pass that Abraham said unto Evad, the most trusted servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had:
- 6. Put forth, I pray thee, thy hand under my hand, and I will make thee swear before YHVH, the Elohim of heaven and the Elohim of the earth, that thou shalt go unto my country and to my kindred and take a wife unto my son Isaac;
- 7. For my son must not take a wife unto of the daughters of the Canaanites among whom I dwell; for these are idolaters and should these lead him astray, I will not have kept the Covenant.
- 8. And Evad said unto him: Perhaps the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land; therefore, should I return thy son again unto the land from whence thou came?
- 9. And Abraham said unto him: No, thou shall not bring my son to that land, for YHVH, Elohim of the heavens, which took me from the house of my father and from the land of my kindred, and which spoke unto me, and that swore unto me, saying: Unto thee will I give this land.
- 10. And YHVH Elohim shall send an angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from that land:

blessed Abraham in all things.

24:2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had: Put forth, I pray thee, thy hand under my hand, and I will make thee swear before the Lord, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites among whom I dwell; but thou shalt go unto my country and to my kindred and take a wife unto my son Isaac.

Abraham in all things.

- 24:2. And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:
- 24:3. And I will make thee swear by the Lord, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:
- 24:4. But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.
- 24:3 And the servant said unto him, Perhaps the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land; then I must needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest.
- 24:4 And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.
- 24:5 The Lord God of heaven--which took me from my father's house and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thee will I give this land—
- 24:6 He shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.

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- 24:6. And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.
- 24:7. The Lord God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.

- 11. And if the woman will
- 24:7 And if the woman will
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not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this thine oath; only bring not my son to that land but keep him here. 12. And Evad put his hand under the hand of Abraham and swore unto him an oath concerning the matter.	not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this thine oath; only bring not my son thither again. 24:8 And the servant put his hand under the hand of Abraham, his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.	not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again. 24:9. And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.	
13. ¶ And it came to pass that Evad took him ten camels of Abraham when he arose the next morning, and he went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor, 14. And he did depart with many gifts for and offering to the family of the woman that YHVH should send him too, for all the goods of Abraham were in his hand.	24:9 And the servant took ten camels of his master and departed; for all the goods of his master were in his hand. 24:10 And he arose and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.	24:10. And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the goods of his master were in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.	
15. ¶ And it came to pass that Sarah too was on in years, and so it was that not much time had passed after the servant of Abraham had left that Sarah died; and thus ended the years of the life of Sarah; 16. And Sarah had reached the one-hundred and twenty-seventh degree when she died.	Note: these verses are from the chapter before the previous verses. 23:1 And Sarah was a hundred and twenty-seven years old, and she died; and thus ended the years of the life of Sarah. 23:2 And Sarah died in Kirjath-arba; the same is now called Hebron in the land of Canaan.	23:1. And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these were the years of the life of Sarah. 23:2. And Sarah died in Kirjatharba; the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan:	
17. And Sarah had been the H Melchizedek, in her generatio beloved Sister to all in every g 18. And she was the sister of A of his father but not his mother for she did walk and talk as on the earth; 19. And Shekinah was truly wi is both Mother and Sister to the even as Eve before her, as the and life.	n; the great Matriarch, and eneration: Abraham being the daughter er, and our Sister in Wisdom, he with the Shekinah upon the her, and thus it is that she he very souls of all mankind,		The Shekinah is a kabbalistic concept that is often somewhat difficult to become familiar with. This description of Sarah, and association of various attributes she had, appears to be intended as an introduction to the concept of Shekinah based on what we can see about Sarah.

- 20. And so it is that all who shall live by the Shekinah that hears our pleas into Ha'Elohim will find rest in her beauty; therefore the children of Elohim will have no fear over whatsoever shall come to pass.
- 21. ¶ And Abraham lamented and mourned for Sarah, and he wept for her, his wife which was dead.
- 22. And Abraham stood up from before his dead and spoke unto the sons of Heth, saying: I am a stranger and a sojourner with you;
- 23. And give unto me a possession of a burying place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight, for I can bear to look upon her no longer.
- 24. And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him: Hear us, my lord; thou art a mighty prince among us, one chosen of Elohim;
- 25. Therefore, bury thou thy dead in the choicest of our sepulchers; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulcher, but it shall be given thee that thou mayest bury thy dead.
- 26. And Abraham stood up and bowed himself to the people of the land, and to the children of Heth; and he communed with them, saying: If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me!
- 27. And Abraham entreated Ephron, the son of Zohar, saying: Give unto me the cave of Machpelah, which thou hath in the end of thy field,
- 28. And I shall pay as much

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- 23:6 And Abraham stood up and bowed himself to the people of the land, and to the children of Heth; and he communed with them, saying,
- 23:7 If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me and entreat Ephron, the son of Zohar, for me, that he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath in the end of his field;
- 23:8 For as much money as

- 23:7. And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, even to the children of Heth.
- 23:8. And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,
- 23:9. That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end of his field; for as much money as it is worth

money as it is worth, if thou will give it me for a possession to use as a burying place among you.	it is worth, he shall have if he will give it me for a possession of a burying place among you. 23:9 And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth.	he shall give it me for a possession of a buryingplace amongst you. 23:10. And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth:	
29. And now Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, among all of them that went in at the gates of the city, saying: Hearken, my lord, and hear me; 30. The field I give thee and the cave that is therein; I give it thee in the presence of the sons of my people; and I give it thee; therefore, bury thy dead.	23:10 And Ephron, the Hittite, answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, among all of them that went in at the gates of the city, saying, 23:11 Hearken, my lord, and hear me; the field I give thee and the cave that is therein; I give it thee in the presence of the sons of my people; and I give it thee; therefore, bury thy dead.	and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, even of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying, 23:11. Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.	
31. And Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land, 32. And he spoke unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying: I pray thee, hear me; if thou wilt take it of me, I will give thee money for the field, and I will bury my dead there; but I will give thee money for it. 33. And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him: My lord, hearken unto me; the land thou shalt have for four hundred shekels of silver; what shall that be betwixt me and thee? Bury, therefore, thy dead.	23:12 And Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land, and he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, I pray thee, hear me; 23:13 If thou wilt take it of me, I will give thee money for the field, and I will bury my dead there; but I will give thee money for it. 23:14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him, My lord, hearken unto me; the land thou shalt have for four hundred shekels of silver. What shall that be betwixt me and thee? Bury, therefore, thy dead.	23:12. And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land. 23:13. And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead there. 23:14. And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him, 23:15. My lord, hearken unto me: the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver; what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.	
34. And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed unto Ephron the silver which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver,	23:15 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed unto Ephron the silver which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver,	23:16. And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver,	

which was current with the merchant.

- 35. And the field of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein,
- 36. And all the trees that were in the field and that were in all the borders round about were made sure unto Abraham for a possession, in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of the city.
- 37. ¶ And after this,
 Abraham buried Sarah, his
 wife, the wife of kings, and
 mother of the righteous, in
 the cave of the field of
 Machpelah, for he could
 bear to look upon her flesh
 no longer for the pain of it.
- 38. And the field and the cave that was therein were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a burying place by the sons of Heth.

which was current with the merchant.

23:16 And the field of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein, and all the trees that were in the field and that were in all the borders round about were made sure unto Abraham for a possession, in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of the city.

current money with the merchant.

23:17. And the field of Ephron which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all the borders round about, were made sure

23:18. Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

23:17 And after this,
Abraham buried Sarah, his
wife, in the cave of the field
of Machpelah, which is
before Mamre; the same is
called Hebron in the land of
Canaan.

23:18 And the field and the cave that was therein were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a burying place by the sons of Heth.

23:19. And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan.

23:20. And the field, and the cave that is therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

	Chapter 33 - Given to Drink			
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Discussion Ideas	
1. And it came to pass that Evad, the servant of Abraham, knew not of the death of Sarah, but was about his journey when he stopped to make his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at evening, the time that women go out to draw water. 2. And he prayed, saying: O YHVH! Elohim of my lord, Abraham, I pray thee this day, that thou wouldest show kindness unto my lord Abraham and send me good speed.	24:11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at evening, the time that women go out to draw water. 24:12 And he said, O Lord God of my master Abraham, I pray thee this day, that thou wouldest show kindness unto my master Abraham and send me good speed.	24:11. And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, even the time that women go out to draw water. 24:12. And he said O Lord God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.	This is a major plot twist	
3. Behold, I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water;	24:13 Behold, I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water;	24:13. Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:		
4. And so, let it come to pass that the damsel to whom I shall say: Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink, and she shall say: Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also, let her be the one whom thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac. 5. And thereby shall I know that thou hast showed kindness unto my lord, Abraham.	24:14 And let it come to pass that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink, and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also, let her be the one whom thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac. And thereby shall I know that thou hast showed kindness unto my master.	24:14. And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.		
6. ¶ And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.	24:15 And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.	24:15. And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.		

- 7. And the damsel, being a young maiden, was very fair to look upon, such as the servant of Abraham had not seen, neither had any man known the like unto her,
- 8. And he beheld her as she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.
- 24:16 And the damsel, being a virgin, very fair to look upon, such as the servant of Abraham had not seen, neither had any man known the like unto her, and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.
- 24:16. And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

- 9. And Evad ran to meet her and said: Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.
- 10. And she said: Drink, my lord; and she hastened, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.
- 11. And when she had done giving him drink, she said: I will draw for thy camels also until they have done drinking.
- 12. And she hastened, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw, and drew for all his camels.
- 13. And the man, wondering at her, held his peace, pondering in his heart whether YHVH had made his journey prosperous or not.
- 14. ¶ And it came to pass that as the camels had finished drinking, that the man took a gold earring of half a shekel weight and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold, and gave them to her;
- 15. And Evad did ask her: Whose daughter art thou? Tell me, I pray thee; and is

- 24:17 And the servant ran to meet her and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.
- 24:18 And she said, Drink, my lord; and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.
- 24:19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw for thy camels also until they have done drinking.
- 24:20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw, and drew for all his camels.
- 24:21 And the man, wondering at her, held his peace, pondering in his heart whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not.
- 24:22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a gold earring of half a shekel weight and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold, and said, Whose daughter art thou? Tell me, I pray thee. And is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in?

- 24:17. And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.
- 24:18. And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.
- 24:19. And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.
- 24:20. And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.
- 24:21. And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not.
- 24:22. And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold;
- 24:23. And said, Whose daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room in thy father's house for us to

there room in thy father's	24:23 And she said unto	lodge in?	
house for us to lodge in?	him, I am the daughter of	24:24. And she said unto	
16. And she spoke unto him,	Bethuel, the son of Milcah,	him, I am the daughter of	
saying: I am the daughter of	which she bare unto Nahor.	Bethuel the son of Milcah,	
Bethuel, the son of Milcah,	which she bare alter trailer.	which she bare unto Nahor.	
which she bare unto Nahor.			
17. And she continued to	24:24 She said, moreover,	24:25. She said moreover	
speak, saying unto him: We	unto him, We have both	unto him, We have both	
have both straw, and food	straw, and provender	straw and provender	
enough, and room to lodge	enough, and room to lodge	enough, and room to lodge	
in.	in.	in.	
18. And the man bowed	24:25 And the man bowed	24:26. And the man bowed	
down his head and	down his head and	down his head, and	
worshiped YHVH.	worshiped the Lord.	worshipped the Lord.	
19. And he said: Blessed is	24:26 And he said, Blessed	24:27. And he said, Blessed	
YHVH, Elohim of my lord	is the Lord God of my	be the Lord God of my	
Abraham, who hath not left	master Abraham, who hath	master Abraham, who hath	
my lord destitute of Mercy	not left my master destitute	not left destitute my master	
and Truth; and when I was	of his mercy and his truth;	of his mercy and his truth: I	
in the way, YHVH led me to the house of my master's	and when I was in the way, the Lord led me to the	being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my	
brethren.	house of my master's	master's brethren.	
brediten.	brethren.	master's bretinen.	
20. And the damsel ran to	Sietilien.	24:28. And the damsel ran,	
the house and told her	24:27 And the damsel ran to	and told them of her	
mother these things.	the house and told her	mother's house these	
	mother these things.	things.	
21. And Rebekah had a			
brother, whose name was	24:28 And Rebekah had a	24:29. And Rebekah had a	
Laban; and Laban ran out to	brother, whose name was	brother, and his name was	
the man, unto the well.	Laban; and Laban ran out to	Laban: and Laban ran out	
	the man, unto the well.	unto the man, unto the well.	
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22. ¶ And it came to pass	24:29 And it came to pass	24:30. And it came to pass,	
that when he saw the	when he saw the earrings,	when he saw the earring	
earrings, and bracelets upon	and bracelets upon his	and bracelets upon his	
his sister's hands, and when	sister's hands, and when he	sister's hands, and when he	
he heard the words of	heard the words of	heard the words of Rebekah	
Rebekah, his sister, saying:	Rebekah, his sister, saying,	his sister, saying, Thus spake	
Thus spake the man unto	Thus spake the man unto	the man unto me; that he	
me, and I came unto the	me, and I came unto the	came unto the man; and,	
man, and behold, he stood by the camels at the well,	man, and behold, he stood by the camels at the well,	behold, he stood by the camels at the well.	
by the camers at the well,	by the camers at the well,	carriers at the well.	
23. And he said: Come in,	24:30 And he said, Come in,	24:31. And he said, Come	
thou blessed of YHVH;	thou blessed of the Lord.	in, thou blessed of the Lord;	
wherefore standest thou	Wherefore standest thou	wherefore standest thou	
without? For I have	without? For I have	without? for I have	
prepared the house and	prepared the house and	prepared the house, and	
room for the camels.	room for the camels.	room for the camels.	

24. And the man came into the house, and he unburdened his camels and gave straw, and food for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the men's feet that came with him.	24:31 And the man came into the house. 24:32 And he unburdened his camels and gave straw, and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the men's feet that came with him.	24:32. And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that were with him.	
25. And there was set before him food to eat; but he said: I will not eat until I have told mine errand. 26. And Laban said: Speak on. 27. And he said: I am the servant of Abraham; and YHVH hath blessed my lord greatly, and he is become great; and he hath given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and menservants and maidservants, and camels and asses.	24:33 And there was set before him food to eat; but he said, I will not eat until I have told mine errand. 24:34 And Laban said, Speak on. And he said, I am Abraham's servant; 24:35 And the Lord hath blessed my master greatly, and he is become great; and he hath given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and menservants and maidservants, and camels and asses.	24:33. And there was set meat before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on. 24:34. And he said, I am Abraham's servant. 24:35. And the Lord hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.	
28. And Sarah, the wife of my lord, bore a son to my master; and unto him hath he given all that he hath. 29. And my lord made me swear, saying: Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell; but thou shalt go unto my father's house and to my kindred and take a wife unto my son. 30. And I said unto my lord: Perhaps the woman will not follow me?	24:36 And Sarah, my master's wife, bare a son to my master when she was old; and unto him hath he given all that he hath. 24:37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell; 24:38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house and to my kindred and take a wife unto my son. 24:39 And I said unto my master, Perhaps the woman will not follow me.	24:36. And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath. 24:37. And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell: 24:38. But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son. 24:39. And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.	
31. And he said unto me: YHVH, before whom I walk, will send his angel with	24:40 And he said unto me, The Lord, before whom I walk, will send his angel	24:40. And he said unto me, The Lord, before whom I walk, will send his angel	

thee; and he will prosper thy way;

- 32. And thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred and of my father's house; then shalt thou be clear of my oath.
- 33. When thou comest to my kindred, and if they give thee not a wife for my son, thou shalt be clear from my oath.
- 34. And I came this day unto the well and said: O YHVH, Elohim of my lord Abraham, if now thou wilt prosper my way which I go,
- 35. Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass that when the young maiden cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her: Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink,
- 36. And if she should say unto me: Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels, the same is the woman whom YHVH hath appointed out for my the son of my lord.
- 37. And before I had done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well and drew water.
- 38. And I said unto her: Let me drink, I pray thee.
- 39. And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said: Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also; and so it was that I drank, and she

with thee; and he will prosper thy way;

24:41 And thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred and of my father's house; then shalt thou be clear of my oath.

24:42 When thou comest to my kindred, and if they give thee not a wife for my son, thou shalt be clear from my oath.

24:43 And I came this day unto the well and said, O Lord God of my master Abraham, if now thou wilt prosper my way which I go,

24:44 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass that when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink,

24:45 And if she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels, the same is the woman whom the Lord hath appointed out for my master's son.

24:46 And before I had done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well and drew water.

24:47 And I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.

24:48 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also. So I drank, and she made the

with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

24:41. Then shalt thou be clear from this my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee one, thou shalt be clear from my oath.

24:42. And I came this day unto the well, and said, O Lord God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:

24:43. Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;

24:44. And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: let the same be the woman whom the Lord hath appointed out for my master's son.

24:45. And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew water: and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.

24:46. And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

made the camels drink also.	camels drink also.		
40. And I asked her and said: Whose daughter art thou? 41. And she answered me, saying: The daughter of Bethuel, the son of Nahor, whom Milcah bare unto him. 42. And I gave the earrings unto her to put into her ears and the bracelets upon her hands. 43. And I bowed down my head, and worshiped YHVH, and blessed YHVH, the Elohim of my lord, Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.	24:49 And I asked her and said, Whose daughter art thou? 24:50 And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him. 24:51 And I gave the earrings unto her to put into her ears and the bracelets upon her hands. 24:52 And I bowed down my head, and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord God of my master Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.	24:47. And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? And she said, the daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands. 24:48. And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord God of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.	
44. ¶ And now, if thou wilt deal kindly and truly with my lord, tell me; and if not, tell me, that I may turn to the right hand or to the left. 45. Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said: The thing proceedeth from YHVH; we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. 46. Behold, Rebekah is before thee; take her and go; and let her be thy lord's son's wife, as YHVH hath spoken.	24:53 And now, if thou wilt deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, that I may turn to the right hand or to the left. 24:54 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the Lord; we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. 24:55 Behold, Rebekah is before thee. Take her and go; and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the Lord hath spoken.	24:49. And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left. 24:50. Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the Lord: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. 24:51. Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the Lord hath spoken.	
47. ¶ And it came to pass that, when Abraham's servant heard these words, he worshiped YHVH, bowing himself to the earth; 48. And Evad brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave to Rebekah.	24:56 And it came to pass that, when Abraham's servant heard these words, he worshiped the Lord, bowing himself to the earth. 24:57 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave to	24:52. And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the Lord, bowing himself to the earth. 24:53. And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them	

49. And he gave also unto her brother and to her mother many precious things, and they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night.

Rebekah. He gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

24:58 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night.

to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

24:54. And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night;

Chapter 34 - Journey Home			
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Discussion Ideas
 And it came to pass that when they arose up in the morning, Evad, the servant of Abraham, said: Send me away unto my lord. And the brother and mother of Rebekah said: Let the young maiden abide with us at the least ten days, perhaps more; and after that she shall go. 	24:59 And they arose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master. 24:60 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us at the least ten days; after that she shall go.	and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master. 24:55. And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us a few days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.	
3. And the chief servant of Abraham said unto them: Hinder me not, seeing YHVH hath prospered my way; send me away therefore, that I may go unto my lord; and this young woman, that she shall meet her husband. 4. And they said: We will call the damsel and inquire at her mouth. 5. And they called Rebekah, and they said unto her: Wilt thou go with this man?	24:61 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered my way; send me away, that I may go unto my master. 24:62 And they said, We will call the damsel and inquire at her mouth. 24:63 And they called Rebekah and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man?	24:56. And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master. 24:57. And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth. 24:58. And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man?	
6. And she answered them: I will go, for we do see that it is surely the will of YHVH Elohim, and who are we to deny they that created us? 7. And they sent away their sister Rebekah, and her nurse, and Evad, and his	24:64 And she said, I will go. And they sent away Rebekah, their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men. 24:65 And they blessed Rebekah and said unto her, O thou, our sister, be thou	And she said, I will go. 24:59. And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men. 24:60. And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her,	

8. And they blessed Rebekah and said unto her: O thou, our sister, be thou blessed of thousands, of millions; and let thy seed possess the gate of those who hate them. 9. And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels and followed the man; and Evad took Rebekah and went his way.	blessed of thousandsof millions; and let thy seed possess the gate of those who hate them. 24:66 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels and followed the man; and the servant took Rebekah and went his way.	Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them. 24:61. And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.	
10. ¶ And it came to pass that when they arrived, Isaac came from the direction of the well Bearlahai'roi; for he dwelt in the south country.	24:67 And Isaac came from the way of the well La-hai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.	24:62. And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi; for he dwelt in the south country.	
11. And Isaac had gone out to meditate in the field at eventide, for he sought to know his fortune;	24:68 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at eventide;	24:63. And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide:	
 12. And there he was given a in his vision he did see the su was a crown upon the head of the shined as the light, and Isaac very Father of Light. 14. And the Son of Man took from his head, and yet left the 15. And the sun and the moo saying: Take not away thy glochave we power. 	n and the moon, and there of his father, Abraham; heavens a large man that saw that this man was the light greater than the sun e rays behind with the Man.		Remember that back in chapter 1, the crown of YHVH was all of the Glory of the creator. Now, there's a crown on Abraham, and once again the idea of Glory is mentioned.
16. And that Man answered t take thy light from out of thy thy troubles unto rest and that high and exalted. 17. And he saw that they lift harrow space to a wide place him from darkness to light; are even more beautiful, delights and there she did wait with means to have the same that the same	house, for it is taken up from at ye shall be lifted up upon his father, Abraham up from a ; yea, and they did raise up hid he saw his mother, Sarah, ome, and pure than in life;		

18. And Isaac said: I beseech thee, YHVH, turn also thy rays upon me! 19. And there, in the vision, he was taken up, and he thought he saw YHVH Elohim summoning the archangel Michael, and saying unto him: Go down, Michael, to thy 20. Go thou unto Abraham, my beloved friend; and there thou shall tell him of his death; 21. And behold, thou shalt call unto him saying: Depart thee from this world, and go forth to YHVH, thy Elohim. 22. Then Isaac saw, and heard Michael saying: Hear, O righteous Abraham; it is given thee to know, O most honored Abraham, that thy sojourn is done, and thou shalt leave this, the earth, and thy soul shall dwell with El Elyon. 23. And Isaac saw that the light of the sun became his father, and the moon likewise is Sarah, his mother. 24. And the Man bearing light sent who His Son, who descended from the heavens from Ha'Elohim, who is the most righteous soul from whom all Law is given. 25. And Isaac saw that Michael went down, and he said unto the friend of YHVH: This day shalt thou depart from this life; and, behold, the days of thy sojourn here are fulfilled. 26. And Abraham said unto him: Amen! Be it so; thou art kind, good Father; open thy gates, Father, that I may not weep too long for my son, nor weep any longer for my wives. 27. And Michael took Abraham into a chariot of cherubim, and brought him up into the heavens, and led him upon the clouds together with sixty angels; 28. And the chariot flew over all the creation; and Michael drove it forth, and it went up into the heavens. 29. ¶ And Isaac was taken 24:68 ... and he lifted up his ...and he lifted up his eyes, from his dream, knowing eves, and saw, and beheld and saw, and, behold, the that his father too should the camels coming. camels were coming. die; and there he was prompted to raise up; and 24:69 And Rebekah lifted up 24:64. And Rebekah lifted her eyes; and when she saw up her eyes, and when she he lifted up his eyes, and saw and beheld the camels Isaac, she lighted off the saw Isaac, she lighted off coming. camel; for she said unto the the camel. servant, What man is this 30. And Rebekah lifted up that walketh in the field to 24:65. For she had said unto the servant, What man is her eyes; and when she saw meet us? Isaac, she lighted off the this that walketh in the field

camel; for she said unto the servant: What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? 31. And the servant said: It is my lord; therefore, she took a veil and covered herself.	24:70 And the servant said, It is my master; therefore, she took a veil and covered herself.	to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.	
32. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. 33. And Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother, Sarah, and took Rebekah; and she became his wife, and he loved her. 34. And Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.	24:71 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done. 24:72 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent and took Rebekah; and she became his wife, and he loved her. 24:73 And Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.	24:66. And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done. 24:67. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.	
35. ¶ And it came to pass that Abraham, being well pleased in seeing his son, Isaac, the son of his Sarah, comforted by Rebekah, that then Abraham did give up the ghost, even as Isaac had divined: 36. And Abraham died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people; 37. ¶ And it came to pass that Abraham, friend of YHVH, and entertainer of angels, lived to reach the one hundred and seventy-fifth degree.	25:7 And these are the number of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, a hundred threescore and fifteen years. 25:8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people.	25:7 And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years. 25:8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people.	

	Chapter 35 - The W	/ell of Living Water	
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Discussion Ideas
1. And it came to pass that the sons of Abraham, Isaac and Ishmael, did bury Abraham with Sarah, his wife, in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron, the son of Zohar, the Hittite, which is at Mamre, in the field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth. 2. And it was that Abraham left everything he owned to Isaac; for Abraham had given gifts to his other sons given him of his other wives, and he did send them away from his son Isaac to the land of the east.	25:9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron, the son of Zohar, the Hittite, which is before Mamre, 25:10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth; there was Abraham buried and Sarah his wife.	25:9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre; 25:10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.	
3. ¶ And it came to pass that there was a famine in the land, and Isaac went unto Abimelech, king of the Philistines, unto Gerar; 4. For the angel of YHVH did appeared unto him, saying: Go not down into Egypt; but dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: 5. Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee and unto thy seed I will give all these countries, for thou art of the oath made between YHVH Elohim and Abraham, thy father;	26:1 And there was a famine in the land besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech, king of the Philistines, unto Gerar. 26:2 And the Lord appeared unto him and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of. 26:3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee and unto thy seed I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham, thy father;	26:1. And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar. 26:2. And the Lord appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: 26:3. Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;	
6. And thus it shall be that thy seed shall multiply as the stars of the heavens, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations	26:4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be	26:4. And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the	

of the earth be blessed,	blessed,	earth be blessed;	
7. And because Abraham did obey my Voice and kept my charge, my Law, my statutes, and my mitzvoth.	26:5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.	26:5. Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.	
8. ¶ And so it was that Isaac and his wife, Rebekah, did dwell in Gerar. 9. And the men of that place asked him concerning his wife, and Isaac remembered that his father, Abraham had said of his mother, Sarah: She is my sister; and this he knew had been done for a wise purpose in YHVH; 10. And he feared to say: She is my wife, lest the men of the place should kill him to take Rebekah unto themselves because she was fair to look upon; 11. Therefore, he said unto these men: She is my sister.	26:6 And Isaac dwelt in Gerar. 26:7 And the men of the place asked him concerning his wife. And he said, She is my sister; for he feared to say, She is my wife, lest the men of the place should kill him for to get Rebekah because she was fair to look upon.	26:6. And Isaac dwelt in Gerar: 26:7. And the men of the place asked him of his wife; and he said, She is my sister: for he feared to say, She is my wife; lest, said he, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she was fair to look upon.	
12. ¶ And it came to pass that Abimelech, king of the Philistines, remembered also Abraham and Sarah and how they had said the same, and he did spy upon them; 13. And after they had been there for some time, one morning when they thought they were alone, he looked out his window and saw, and he beheld that Isaac was caressing Rebekah, as his wife.	26:8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech, king of the Philistines, looked out at a window and sawand behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah, his wife.	26:8. And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.	
14. And Abimelech called Isaac and said: Behold, surely Rebekah is thy wife! And why then didst thou say unto us: She is thy sister?	26:9 And Abimelech called Isaac and said, Behold, of a surety Rebekah is thy wife. And how saidst thou she is thy sister? And Isaac said unto him, I said it because I	26:9. And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she is thy wife; and how saidst thou, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I	

15. And Isaac spoke unto
him, saying: I said it because
I feared lest I die because of
her great beauty.

- 16. And Abimelech said: What is this thou hast done unto us? One of the people might lightly have lain with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us for thy deception.
- 17. And Abimelech charged all his people, saying: He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.
- 18. ¶ Now it came to pass that Isaac sowed in that land, and in the same year he did receive a hundredfold; for YHVH did blessed him.
- 19. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great; for he had many flocks, and herds, and laborers; and so it was that the Philistines envied him.
- 20. And it came to pass that the Philistines took dirt and filled up all the wells which had been dug in the days of Abraham, his father, that they were dried up.
- 21. And Abimelech said unto Isaac: Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

22. ¶ And it came to pass that Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

feared lest I die for her.

26:10 And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast done unto us? One of the people might lightly have lain with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.

26:11 And Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.

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26:10. And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.

26:11. And Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.

26:12 Then Isaac sowed in that land and received in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him.

26:13 And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great;

26:14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants; and the Philistines envied him.

26:15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham, his father, the Philistines had stopped them and filled them with earth.

26:16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

26:17 And Isaac departed

in the valley of Gerar, and

dwelt there.

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26:14. For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.

26:15. For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

26:16. And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

26:17. And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

26:18 And Isaac digged

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23. And Isaac dug again the wells of water, which had been dug in the days of Abraham, his father, that the Philistines had stopped after the death of Abraham; and he called the names of these after the names by which his father had called them. 24. And the servants of Isaac dug in the valley and found there a well of springing water;	again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham; and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them. 26:19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley and found there a well of springing water.	again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them. 26:19. And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.	
25. And it came to pass that the herdsmen of Gerar did argue with Isaac's herdsmen, saying: The water is ours! And Isaac did name the well Eseq because they fought with him. 26. And they dug another well and they contended with him for that also; and he called the name of it Sitnah.	26:20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water is ours; and he called the name of the well Esek because they strove with him. 26:21 And they digged another well and strove for that also; and he called the name of it Sitnah.	26:20. And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him. 26:21. And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.	
27. ¶ And it came to pass that Isaac removed himself and his people from thence and dug another well; and for that they strove not; and he called the name of it Rechoboth; 28. And Isaac said: For now YHVH hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land; and he went up from thence to Bearsheba.	26:22 And he removed from thence and digged another well; and for that they strove not; and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the Lord hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. 26:23 And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba.	26:22. And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the Lord hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. 26:23. And he went up from thence to Beersheba.	
29. ¶ And the angel of YHVH appeared unto him the same night, saying: I am the Elohim of Abraham, thy father; fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for the sake of my servant, Abraham. 30. And be thou not troubled	26:24 And the Lord appeared unto him the same night and said, I am the God of Abraham, thy father; fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.	26:24. And the Lord appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.	Again we have a story that

it is also that when YHVH Elol the well of living water, so to come, saying: This well is mir	o doth the pride of man		we are invited to revisit and consider how the allegories of the story apply to us.
31. And thus ye contend with of living water which floweth			
32. Therefore, it pleaseth me well, and then to give it up, th contending with those that w	nat source of life, to avoid		
33. And Isaac built an altar there, and called upon the name of YHVH, and pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants dug a well.	26:25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the Lord, and pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants digged a well.	26:25. And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the Lord, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.	
34. ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath, one of his friends, and Phichol, the chief captain of his army.	26:26 Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath, one of his friends, and Phichol, the chief captain of his army.	26:26. Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.	
35. And Isaac said unto them: Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me and have sent me away from you?	26:27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me and have sent me away from you?	26:27. And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you?	
36. And they replied, saying: We saw certainly that YHVH was with thee; and we said: Let there be now an oath between us, even between us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee:	26:28 And they said, We saw certainly that the Lord was with thee; and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee,	26:28. And they said, We saw certainly that the Lord was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;	
37. That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good and have sent thee away in peace; thou art now the blessed of YHVH.	26:29 That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace; thou art now the blessed of the Lord.	26:29. That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou art now the blessed of the Lord.	
38. And Isaac made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.	26:30 And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.	26:30. And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.	
39. And they rose up very early in the morning the following day and swore one to another; and Isaac	26:31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another; and Isaac sent them away, and	26:31. And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and	

sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.	they departed from him in peace.	they departed from him in peace.
40. ¶ And it came to pass the same day that Isaac's servants came and told him concerning the well which they had dug, and said unto him: We have found water, and he called it Shibah.	26:32 And it came to pass the same day that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water. 26:33 And he called it Sheba; therefore, the name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day.	26:32. And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water. 26:33. And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city is Beersheba unto this day.

	Chapter 36 - J	acob and Esau	
1 Moses	Inspired Version / JST	KJV	Discussion Ideas
1. And these are the generations of Isaac, the son of Abraham: Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac was at the fortieth degree when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel, the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban, the Syrian.	25:19 And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac; 25:20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel, the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban, the Syrian.	25:19 And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac: 25:20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.	
2. ¶ And it came to pass that after the death of Abraham Ha'Elohim did bless his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt towards the well, Bearlahai'roi.	(Note: this verse is out of sequence) 25:11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well La-hai-roi.	25:11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi.	
3. And Isaac entreated YHVH for his wife, that she might bear children, for she was barren; and YHVH did smell of the incense that Isaac sent up, and was entreated of him, and Rebekah, his wife, conceived.	25:21 And Isaac entreated the Lord for his wife, that she might bear children, because she was barren. And the Lord was entreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.	25:21 And Isaac intreated the Lord for his wife, because she was barren: and the Lord was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.	
4. ¶ And it came to pass that the children struggled	25:22 And the children struggled together within	25:22 And the children struggled together within	This is an interesting description of what it

together within her womb; and she said: What is this that is happening with me? And if I am with child, why is it thus with me?

- 5. And she went forth to her sacred place to burn incense, and to seek the face of YHVH.
- 6. And the angel of YHVH came before her, saying:
 Two nations are in thy womb, and two peoples shall be separated from thy bowels:
- 7. And it shall be that one shall be conquer the other, making firm his strength and courage; and so it shall be that the elder shall serve the younger.

her womb; and she said, If I am with child, why is it thus with me? And she went to inquire of the Lord.

25:23 And the Lord said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.

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25:23 And the Lord said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.

means that she went to enquire of the Lord. .. to burn incense and seek his face

- 8. ¶ And it came to pass that when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, lo! She beheld that it was as the angel of YHVH had spoken, there were twins in her womb:
- 9. And the first came out healthy, and red in color, with hair all over him, like unto a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.
- 10. And after this, came his brother out, his hands grasping onto the heel of Esau; and his name was called Jacob.
- 11. And Isaac had entered into the sixtieth degree when she bore them, and she in the sixty-fifth.
- 12. ¶ And it came to pass that when the boys were grown that Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the earth and of the field;

- 25:24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.
- 25:25 And the first came out red all over like a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.
- 25:26 And after that, came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob; and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.

25:24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.

- 25:25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.
- 25:26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.

25:27 And the boys grew; and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.

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13. And Jacob	was a
peaceful man,	whole and
blameless; for	Jacob did
dwell in a tent.	

25:28 And Isaac loved Esau because he did eat of his venison; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

25:28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

- 14. And Isaac favored Esau because he did eat of his wild game; but Rebekah favored Jacob.
- 15. ¶ And it came to pass that Esau went in the field to hunt when Amraphél, a descendant of Nimrod, king over Babel, was hunting with his men in the field in the cool air of the morning times.
- 16. And Amraphél began to observe Esau all the days, for a jealousy was formed his heart against Esau.
- 17. And as Esau went about the field to hunt, and he found Amraphél outside, walking in the wilderness with two of his strong men;
- 18. And Esau saw that all the mighty men and people of Amraphél were with him in the wilderness;
- 19. But they had removed at a distance from him, and they went from him in different directions to hunt.
- 20. And Esau, seeing that he was being hunted, concealed himself from Amraphél, and he began to likewise hunt him in the wilderness.
- 21. And Amraphél and the men that were with him came to the place where Esau was hidden, and it came to pass that Esau came up suddenly from his where he was hidden, and he smote off the head of Amraphél.
- 22. And Esau began to fight with a mighty fierceness against two of the men that were with Amraphél, that they should not called out to their people;
- 23. And Esau did prevail against them and smote them to death with his own sword.
- 24. And Esau knew that the people of Amraphél, and his might and strong ones, were at a distance; therefore he fled, thereby escaped unbeknownst to them;
- 25. And Esau took with him the garments of Adam that had been taken by Ham, and passed down and given unto Amraphél, as his forefather, Nimrod, hand been given.
- 26. And it came to pass that Esau did run off and he did conceal the holy garments in his house.

Again, we are re-introducing the garment that was given to Adam and Eve, tracing it through history. What are we to learn from this?

And what is the significance in the path it takes? That Esau gives it to Jacob?

How much of this narrative is for historical context, and how much can/should be applied to us today somehow? If it doesn't apply to us, why is it being restored for us to know the details?

27. And one of the mighty me him found their king and the tlying dead in the wilderness, a had slain them.	two men that were with him		
28. ¶ And it came to pass that in that same day, Jacob was boiling a pottage; and Esau came from the field, and he was weary from hunger. 29. And Esau said unto Jacob: Feed me, I pray thee, with that same rosy pottage; for I am faint from hunger. 30. And so it was that Esau was also called Edom. 31. And Jacob, being cunning replied unto his elder brother: Sell me this day thy birthright.	25:29 And Jacob sod pottage; and Esau came from the field, and he was faint; 25:30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint; therefore was his name called Edom. 25:31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.	25:29 And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint: 25:30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. 25:31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.	This appears to be tying the garment to the birthright.
32. And Esau did plead unto him, saying: Behold, I am at weary of hunger even unto death; and what then shall this birthright profit me? 33. And Jacob said: Swear to me first this day. 34. And Esau did go unto his house and did take up the garment of Adam and gave them to his brother, Jacob, and did swear unto him; and so it was that he sold his birthright unto Jacob.	25:32 And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point of dying. And what shall this birthright profit me? 25:33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day. And he swore unto him, and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.	25:32 And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me? 25:33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.	
35. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and some of that stew; and Esau did eat, and drink. 36. And when he had his fill, Esau did rise up, and walked off, for he understood not what he had done in selling his birthright nor in giving up the holy garments of his	25:34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat, and drink, and rose up, and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.	25:34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright.	If Esau didn't understand what he sold are you sure you understand? What is there that needs to be understood?

fathers.		
37. And it was by means this that the garments of Adam and Eve were given back into the hands of the descendants of Shem, to whom Noah and Na'aham would have given them; 38. And all this was done, even as the angel of YHVH had told their mother, Rebekah, that the elder brother should		
come to serve the younger.		
39. ¶ And it came to pass that Esau took to wife Judith, the daughter of Beeri, the Hittite, and Bashemath, the daughter of Elon, the Hittite, which was a grief of mind unto Isaac	26:34 And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith, the daughter of Beeri, the Hittite, and Bashemath, the daughter of Elon, the Hittite,	26:34. And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
and to Rebekah.	26:35 Which was a grief of mind unto Isaac and to	26:35. Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to
	Rebekah.	Rebekah.

Engage:

Engage the Concepts through Comparison

Jacob and Esau are obviously intended to be polar opposites. What are we supposed to learn from the various characteristics of these two men that are emphasized in the narrative we have received? Is one "good," and the other "bad" in some way? Are they just "different" from each other? Are we supposed to emulate the one and not the other? Are we supposed to liken them to ourselves somehow? What do we learn about each of them by comparing and contrasting them against each other?

Engage the Spirit through Contemplation

There are two kabbalistic concepts in the reading for this discussion that I think are worth your consideration:

In 32:17-20, they use the memory of Sarah and the characteristics that she embodied as a way of introducing the attributes of the "Shekinah". The Shekinah is a concept that is often difficult to grasp to those who are new to Kabbalah, and this passage is a good place to ponder upon as you begin to allow this emanation of the divine feminine to take form in your mind's eye.

In 34:11-28 The Glory of the heavens is sent down to the earth. This entire passage is deeply mystical, and I invite you to ponder on it as you consider what "glory" is. What form does it take when it is in the heavens? What form does it take when it is on earth?

Engage the Group through Discussion

When you meet together as a group to discuss the content of these chapters, here are some ideas to help get the discussion going:

- One of the significant differences between what we read on the plates of brass and what we had before we received them is the order in which the content is presented. The timeline of Sarah's death (and other things) are presented in a different order. Do you think there is any significance in the change? If so, what difference does it make?
- The plates of brass spills a decent amount of new ink on the idea that God never really told Abraham to sacrifice Isaac, and it was all a misunderstanding. Does that new way of looking at it change anything (besides helping us feel just a little better about this complicated story)?
- We have now seen the Garment given to Adam and Eve passed through their descendents for 4
 dispensations. Why do you suppose we get so much new detail about the garment as it moves
 through history? In what way does knowing its path teach us anything that applies to our life?
- In 35:30-32, we learn that these wells are intended to be interpreted as an allegory about living water. What does the story about the wells teach us? How can we apply it today?
- In 36:5, it describes how Rebekah "inquired of the Lord" about what was going on in her womb. It says she burned incense, and sought the face of YHVH. What do you think of this description of "inquiring of the Lord"?