

“Rebekah, a Family Resemblance?”
Bible Stories, Pt. 8: Genesis 24:1-67

I. The Significance of the Rebekah Story

- A. It is the longest single episode in the book of Genesis.
- B. It is found directly in the middle of Genesis.
- C. It represents the transition from Abraham’s story to the stories of Jacob and Joseph.

II. The Contents of the Rebekah Story

- A. Abraham sends a servant to find Isaac a wife.
- B. The Lord leads the servant directly to Rebekah.
- C. Rebekah resembles Abraham (Gen. 24:17-20, 60).

Gen. 18:6-7 - ⁶And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." ⁷And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly.

Genesis 22:17b - ...And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies.

- D. Rebekah replaces Sarah.

III. The Lessons of the Rebekah Story

- A. Rebekah models Christ’s willingness to leave all things for God’s Kingdom.
- B. We too should be ready, by the Spirit’s aid, to leave all things for Christ.

Matthew 10:39 - Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.