

## Texan Literacy Test

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## **Oral Tradition**

- stories spoken before they are written
- stories that tell us who God is

- stories that tell us who we are

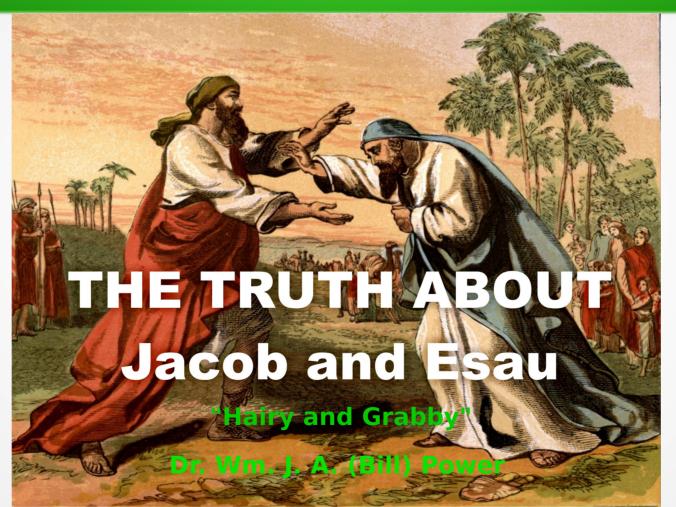
# Oral Tradition is very important.

- Stories impart social values.
- Stories convey deep meanings in indelible ways.
- Every culture has a creation story.

  Many have a flood story.

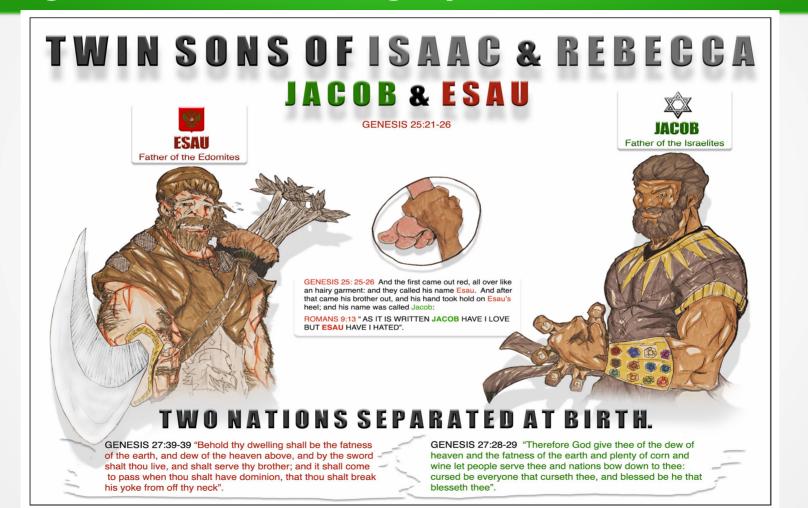
#### **Oral Tradition**

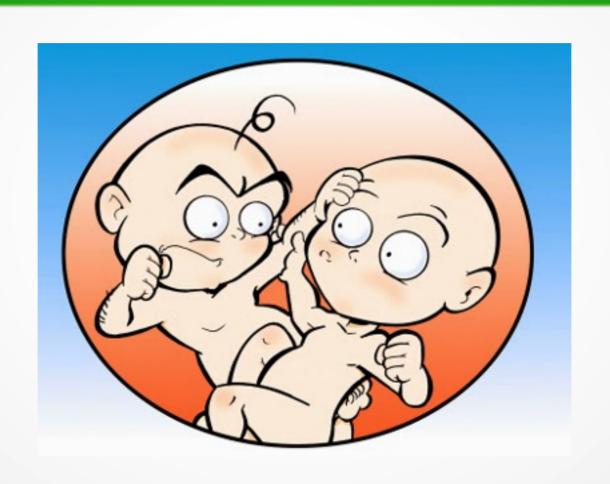
- Stories are not lies. ("That's just a story you made up.")
- Stories are not like the "tell a secret" game.
- Stories are not as variable as we might think.



Complete this phrase:

Abraham, Isaac and

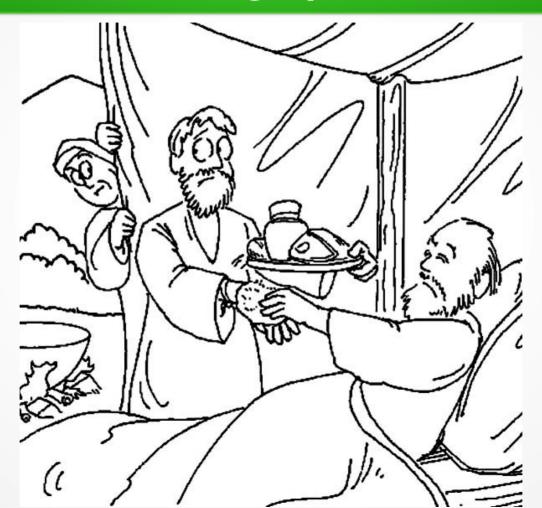


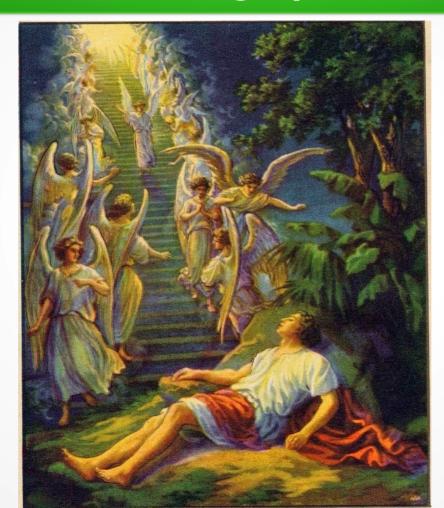


The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



The birthright swap in Genesis 25 was the most lopsided trade until Babe Ruth was traded in 1919 from the Red Sox to the Yankees.



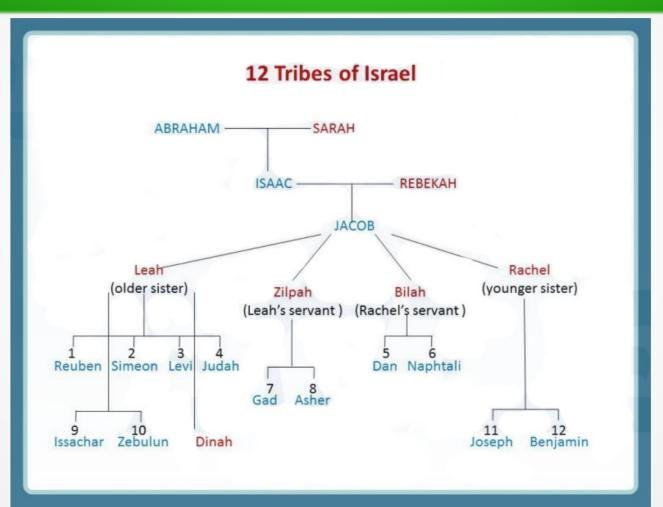


Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, Darkness be over me, my rest a stone; Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to Thee.

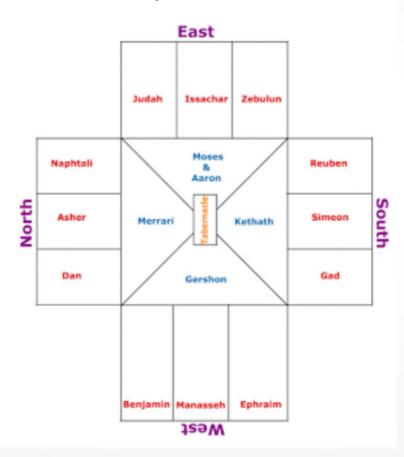
There let the way appear, steps unto Heav'n; All that Thou sendest me, in mercy giv'n; Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee.

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with Thy praise Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise; So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to Thee.





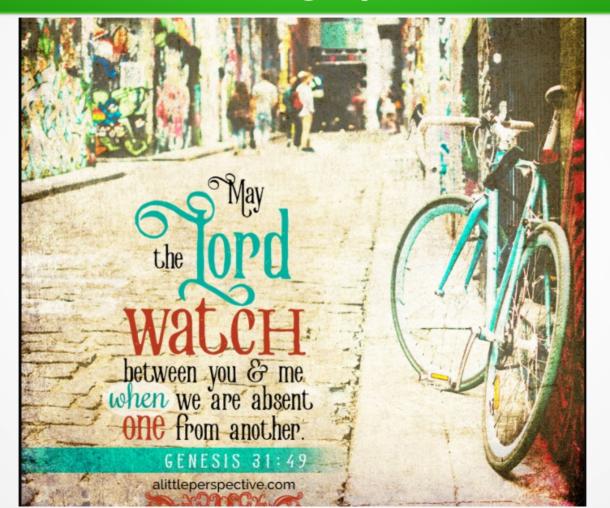
The desert encampment of the Israelites

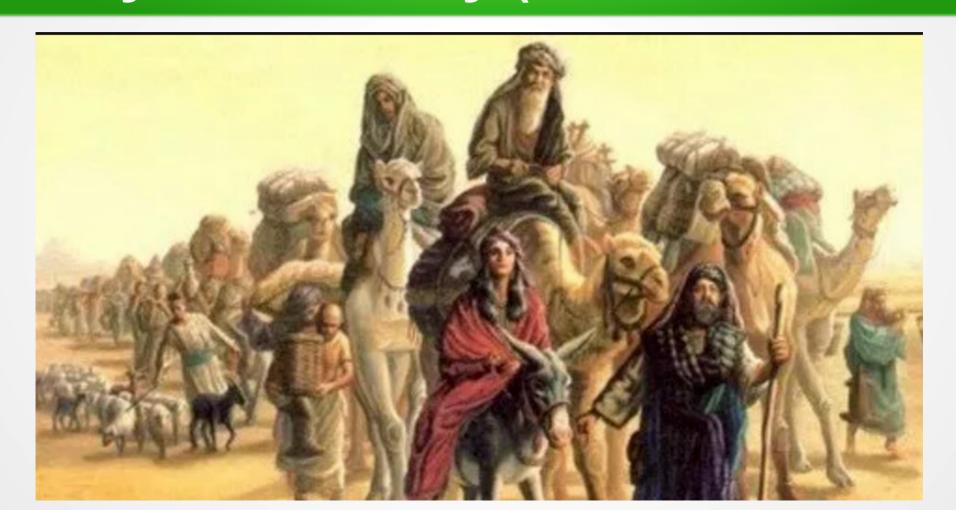




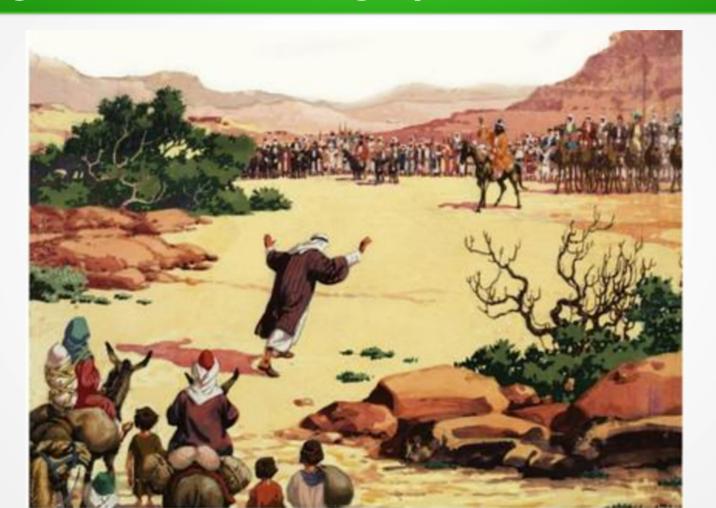












#### **QUESTIONS**

Why is it "Hairy and Grabby", not "Grabby and Hairy"?

Why does Jacob become Israel, and not Esau?

Who are the deceivers?

How do you "struggle with God"?

### **MORE QUESTIONS**

Is "Hairy and Grabby" just an ancient Jewish story?

Is it relevant in any way to us as contemporary Christians?

Why does this story cover more chapters than any other?