



The Book of GENESIS
Chapters 35 – 36
“Revival & Esau’s Genealogy”

Go for God! > **Chapter 35 – “Revival!”**

(v1-5) This is the first recorded revival in the Bible. Observe the following STEPS to REVIVAL and the RESULTS of REVIVAL:

Step #1 – (v1) “God SAID” – Do you believe God’s Word? Let’s read Hebrews 4:12-13; 2 Peter 1:19-20; 2 Timothy 4:1-5; Revelation 22:18-19.

Step #2 – (v2) Jacob OBEYED and led the people in repentance & revival!

Step #3 – (v2) “PUT AWAY the foreign gods”

Step #4 – (v2) “PURIFY yourselves”

Step #5 – (v2) “CHANGE your garments”

Step #6 – (v3) “ARISE and go up to Bethel (“*House of God*”). Are you going up or going down in your Christian walk, are you dead in your life with Christ, if so, **ARISE!** Go up to the *House of God* through prayer and His Word, through sanctification and service, through worship and witness!

Step #7 – (v3) Always REMEMBER what God has done for you! *“God answered me in the day of my distress and has been with me in the way which I have gone.”*

Step #8 – (v4-5) Look at the RESULTS! People **RETURNED** to the LORD and their enemies were afraid of them, God’s **PROTECTION** is provided!

(v6-7) El Bethel (*The God of the House of God*) – It’s not just the house of God, but God is alive and he’s there and everywhere! Turn to John 14:22-26.

(v8) Rebekah’s nurse (Deborah) dies and the place is called *Allon Bachuth* (the oak of weeping).

(v9-13) *Revival* brings relationship with God, fellowship with Him, and the pronouncement of great promises!

(v14-15) *Jacob, that is Israel, set up a pillar of stone, Christ is the rock of our salvation! Jacob, that is Israel, poured out a drink offering, this is the first mention of the drink offering, in:*
- **Psalm 22:14** - *I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it has melted within Me.*

- **Isaiah 53:12** - *Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul unto death, and He was numbered with the transgressors, and He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.*

- **Jacob, that is Israel, poured oil on the rock, oil is symbolic of the Holy Spirit through Christ – Jesus said in Luke 4:18-19** - *“The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.”* **This event points to the Messiah to come, plus the work of Christ in our lives, Bethel (*House of God*).**

(v16-20) Rachel dies giving birth to *Benjamin*. Rachel called her son *Ben-Oni* (the son of my sorrow), but *Israel* (Jacob) called him *Benjamin* (son of my right hand), this illustrates two aspects of Christ:

- (1st) as *Ben-Oni*, He was the suffering One because of whom a sword pierced his mother's heart - Luke 2:34-35 - *Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."*

- (2nd) as *Benjamin* (son of my right hand) we are told in Matthew 22:43-44 – *Jesus said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: 'The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool'"?*

- **Matthew 26:64** - *Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."*

(v21-22) REUBEN'S act of incest cost him dearly. He never lost his legal standing as firstborn, but he forfeited his right to the birthright.

(v23-29) The sons of *Israel* (Jacob) are listed; and we experience the death of Isaac, that is Jacob and Esau's father.

> Chapter 36 – “Genealogy of Esau”

(v1) The land of Edom is the name of the country lying south and east of the ancient kingdom of Judah and extending from the Dead Sea to the Gulf of Aqaba. It includes the ruins of Petra, and is bounded on the north by Moab. Edom has a remarkable prominence in the prophetic Word as (together with Moab) the scene of the final destruction of Gentile world-power in the *Day of the LORD*. Read Obadiah 1:3-4 for insight on the pride of the Edomites and God's dealing with them.

(v2-8) Esau and Jacob split apart.

(v9-43) Esau's Genealogy

(Insight on verse 20) F.Y.I. – C.I. Scofield writes, “The Horites, or Hurrians, were completely forgotten for thousands of years. It has now been discovered that they were a large group of people who settled in northern Mesopotamia, in Syria, and in Palestine before 2000B.C. Thousands of tablets containing their business documents and other records have been recovered by excavation.”