

## Genesis 27

### God's Way or My Way

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**Psalm 23** - "The Lord's my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I'll fear no evil; for You're with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I'll dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

- *He restores your soul*
  - *He provides all you need*
  - *You know God's presence and receive His comfort*
  - *Your cup runs over*
  - *Goodness and mercy follows you*
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### 1. Isaac did things his way instead of God's way.

**Genesis 25:28** - Isaac loved Esau because he ate of his game.

"Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves, take up their cross daily and follow Me." (**Luke 9:23**)

*"Life begins at the end of your comfort zone." - Neale Donald Walsch*

*"A ship in harbor is safe, but that's not what ships are made for." - William Shedd*

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**Luke 12:19-20** - I'll say to myself, "You've enough stored away for years to come. Now take it easy! Eat, drink, and be merry!" "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be required of you.'"

**Rev. 3:17** - You say, 'I'm rich; I've grown wealthy and need nothing.' But you don't realize that you're wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked.

**Mark 4:19** - They hear the word but the cares of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

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### **2. Rebekah did things her way instead of God's way.**

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### **3. Jacob did things his way instead of God's way.**

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### 3 Elements to a Good Blessing

1. A good blessing involves meaningful touch.
2. A good blessing involves words of affection and love.

Ephesians 4:29 - Don't let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

3. A good blessing involves picturing a glorious future.
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### 4. Esau did things his way instead of God's way.

Genesis 26:34-35 - When Esau was forty years old he married Judith the daughter of Beerli the Hittite, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite; and they were a source of grief to Isaac and Rebekah.

Jeremiah 29:11 - "I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope."

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