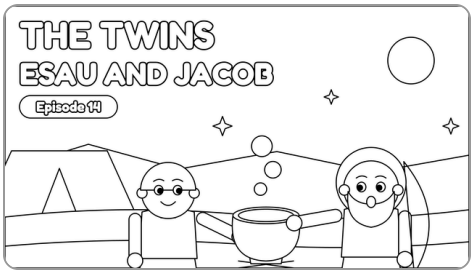
The Bible Under the Baobab · Discussion sheet for episode 14

Esau and Jacob

Genesis 25 · For ages 3 to 10 · Video: 6 min 59



The story in brief

The Twins. Isaac and Rebekah have been waiting for a child for twenty years. Isaac prays, and Rebekah gives birth to twins: Esau, all red, and Jacob, who is holding his brother's heel. Esau becomes a hunter, Jacob stays near the tents. One day, Esau comes back from the fields, worn out and starving. Jacob is cooking lentil soup. "First, sell me your birthright." For a bowl of soup, Esau gives up his treasure as the firstborn son. Grandma Adjoua tells this story to Nia, who is ready to trade her mango tree for a flatbread.

Let's talk about it

1. How are Esau and Jacob different?
2. What does Esau trade for a bowl of soup?
3. Have you ever been sorry about a trade or a choice you made too fast?
4. What matters a lot to you, that you would never want to trade?

> **Notes for the grown-up.** Esau is red-haired, a hunter, always outdoors. Jacob is quiet and stays near the tents. Esau trades his birthright: his place as the oldest son and a special blessing from his father.

To remember

Do not sell your treasure for a bowl of soup.

The song: Do not sell your treasure

Do not sell your treasure for a bowl of soup.
What matters forever, keep it in your heart!

To do

Draw your treasure: what matters most to you and what you want to keep.

Watch the episode and hear the song: labiblesouslebaobab.com/en/episodes/esau-and-jacob/
From the book of Genesis, chapter 25, verses 19 to 34. Free for home, Sunday school and children's ministry.