

# Stop Playing God

**Genesis 27:1-40**

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## Introduction

Big Idea: *Every time we play God, we make a mess—but His mercy keeps it from being checkmate.*

- Scene 1 – Manipulating God's plan blindly (1-4)
- Scene 2 – Expediting God's plan deceitfully (5-29)
- Scene 3 – Experiencing God's plan painfully (30-40)



## Book

1. What were Isaac and Esau attempting to do in verses 1-4? Although culturally accepted, how were they rebelling against God? What motivated Isaac? What motivated Esau?
2. What were Rebekah and Jacob attempting to do in verses 5-29? What makes their scheming so foolish in light of God's redemptive story? What motivated Rebekah? What motivated Jacob?
3. What was Isaac's response to Jacob's deception? What was Esau's response? How was Esau's blessing more of a curse (see 39-40)?
4. What does this passage reveal about all four characters in our story and the heart of man? Although God does not speak, what does this passage reveal about God's faithfulness to the covenant?





2. How did Jesus submit perfectly to (1) God's Word and (2) God's timeline? How was Jesus' life, in many ways, the opposite of those in our story (think of what drove those in our story compared to what motivated Jesus)? How was Jesus able, through His life, death, and resurrection, to secure our blessing?

4. How should Jesus' work at Calvary give you hope in the midst of your struggles with sin? If God remained faithful to Isaac's family, in the midst of their sins, how can you be sure He will remain faithful to you?



- Turn and submit to Christ
- Find your identity in Christ
- Put your hope in Christ

