



## Day 52 - Don't Sell Your Birthright!

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

“Esau said, “I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?” Jacob said, “Swear to me now.” So he swore to him and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.” (Genesis 25:32-34)

The story of Esau and Jacob is a well known bible story in which the oldest son, Esau, out of hunger, sold his birthright to his younger brother, Jacob, for a bowl of soup. In the end, Jacob received Esau's blessing from his father, Isaac, who was blind in his old age and deceived by Jacob and his mother (Isaac's wife). In Genesis 25:34 it says, “Thus Esau despised his birthright.” This act by Esau of selling his birthright angered God. In the Jewish culture at that time, the birthright gave special privileges and advantages to the first-born son which included a double portion of the father's inheritance ( Deuteronomy 21:15-17). A similar theme was seen in the beginning. In Genesis 1:28, God blessed man and woman. As their birthright, He gave them dominion over all living things as well as access to the Tree of Life. Because of a deceptive snake and a desire to eat an apple (the forbidden fruit), man disobeyed God was condemned to death. I thank God for His grace through His son, Jesus, that we can be redeemed back to him. God is still extending to us a wonderful birthright. Eternal life is available to us if we believe in Him, but there are promises and blessings right here on the earth that He also wants us to access. Don't be robbed of your destiny. Are there places in your life where you are selling yourself short or allowing the enemy to rob you? Reject the lies and schemes of the enemy today and start walking in the fullness of all God has for you.

Prayer: “Lord, thank you for my divine birthright. Help me to be vigilant in defending the promises that you have specifically for me, my family and region. I refuse to sell my birthright and reject every trinket being offered in exchange for it. Open my eyes today and strengthen me. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.”

Pray for God's continued guidance, protection, provision and success for Cliffard Whitby (Bibb County 2020 mayoral candidate) and the Whitby2020 campaign team and supporters. Pray that God would grow and increase this movement and energize individuals to co-labor with us for positive change.

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