

SERIES TITLE: LIVING IN GOD'S STORY

PART TWO: DON'T MISS GRACE

TEXT: GENESIS 36

INTRODUCTION.

This series will go to the end of our study through Genesis. The primary focus of these final chapters is Joseph and his brothers. It includes incidents of failure and success, jealousy and integrity, sin and righteousness. Through it all, God's plan prevails. These stories should increase our confidence in God, and our willingness to follow him in all situations.

DISCUSSION.

If you have ever researched your genealogy, what did you discover that was positive or negative?

EXAMINATION.

vv.1-8 Why do you think Esau's name is followed by the parenthetical (that is, Edom) twice in this paragraph? (v.1 and 8)

- How and why is it significant that Esau took his wives from the women of Canaan?
- Although a practical reason is given for Esau leaving Canaan, is it legitimate? Why or why not?

vv.9-43 Do you see anything noteworthy about this long list of names?

- After reading Numbers 20 and Obadiah 1, what does it reveal about Esau's heritage?

APPLICATION.

- Read Hebrews 12:14-17. How does this help you understand how to apply Esau's story?
- Fact: What is a key truth that you understood from this passage?
- React: What did you feel?
- Act: What are you going to do?