

# Genesis

## Tracking Christ from the Beginning - Faithfulness and Faith

"Moses . . . he wrote about Me." Jesus, John 5:46 (also, Luke 24:44)

**Genesis 32:1-35:29, *generations (toldot)* of Isaac (final portion).**

"Abraham's Oak" by Tanner, 1905  
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### ***Summary of Events, 32:1-35:29.***

- **Chapter 32:1-21** – Jacob prepares to meet Esau: 1-2, angels meet him; 3-6, messengers sent to Esau; 7-8, divides into two groups, expecting the worse; *read* 9-12, prayer; 13-21, arranges five groups of livestock as gifts to precede him.
- **Chapter 32:22-32** (*read*) – Jacob's encounter with God: 24, "a man wrestled with him;" 26, "unless you bless me;" 28, name change to Israel.
- **Chapter 33:1-20** – Jacob meets Esau: 1-2, women and children arranged in order; *read* 4, the meeting; 17-20, arrives at Succoth and Shechem.
- **Chapter 34:1-31** – rape and slaughter at Shechem.
- **Chapter 35:1-15** – "official sanction" at Bethel: 2-4, purification; *read* 9-13, God appears and speaks to Jacob; 14-15, naming of Bethel.
- **Chapter 35:16-29** – Family History: 16-20, Rachel dies in childbirth; 22, Reuben's immorality; 23-26, list of the 12 patriarchs of the nation of Israel; arrival at Mamre- home of Isaac, now, Abe, formerly; 28-29, Isaac dies at 180.
- A major lesson of the Old Testament is God's faithfulness. The word "lovingkindness" means: faithfulness, goodness, graciousness – Halot; goodness, kindness – BDB. The concept of God's unconditional love awaits the person, faithfully promised in the Old Testament in Genesis and elsewhere, to demonstrate it, the Lord Jesus Christ.



**"God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. " 1 Corinthians 1:9 NASB95**

