

Fall Quarter Theme: God's Exceptional Choice
Unit 1 – God Calls Abraham's Family
Lesson 4; September 25, 2022
Title: Dynamics of Family Leadership
Text: Genesis 35:22b-26; 38:24-26; 49:10-12

Expositions:

- I. Forfeiting The Birthright (Genesis 35:22b-26)**
- II. The Repentant Heir (Genesis 38:24-26)**
- III. Grace Overrides Disfunction (Genesis 49:10-12)**

I. Forfeiting The Birthright (Genesis 35:22b-26)

22(b) Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

23 *The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:*

24 *The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:*

25 *And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:*

26 *And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid: Gad, and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padanaram.*

II. The Repentant Heir (Genesis 38:24-26)

24 And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, “Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she is with child by whoredom.” And Judah said, “Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.”

25 *When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, “By the man, whose these are, am I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff.”*

26 *And Judah acknowledged them, and said, “She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son.” And he knew her again no more.*

III. Grace Overrides Disfunction (Genesis 49:10-12)

10 “The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

11 *Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:*

12 *His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.”*