

## ALEPH RESH BIBLICAL ~ Hebrew Insights Come Follow Me ~ Genesis 25

The Twins—Jacob and Esau. These 2 brothers were born minutes apart. Jacob "holding on to his brother's heel" as he was born. In Hebrew the word "heel" is 'Aqev אָקבּב, therefore Isaac named him Ya'aqov יַּעָקֹב from the same word (Gen 25:26). His brother was born reddish and hairy or rough, which in Hebrew is 'Asav עָשָׂוּ, so Isaac named him 'Esau (Gen 25:25). These 2 brothers were complete opposites:

<u>Jacob</u> <u>Esau</u>

was smooth was Rough

was a Shepherd was a Hunter

Mother's Boy Father's Boy

Faithful Unfaithful

Birthright Firstborn

Isaac's Heir Serve Jacob

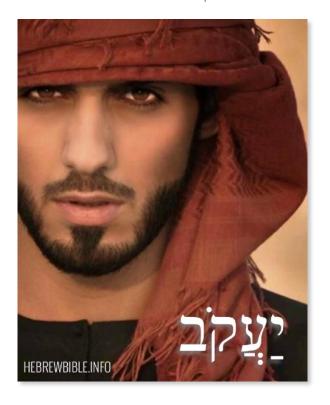
Family Wives Foreign Wives

Priesthood No Priesthood

Even though these brothers were complete opposites in many ways, and even though they were at extreme odds for many years, they were still family and brothers, they were the only family they had, and the LORD had blessed each of them. When the brothers are finally reconciled, it is

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JACOB - Ya'aqov



ESAU - 'Esav

