

## There is Time for Everything – Submission/Humble - Biblical Discussion

What is Esau's response to Jacob when they meet? (v.4)

Does Esau accept the gifts that Jacob gave to him? (vs.9-11)

Where does Jacob go in the land of Canaan and purchase a parcel of a field? (vs.18-19)

From whom does Jacob purchase a parcel of a field? (v.19)

What is the altar called that Jacob erected there? (v.20)

### Jacob Meets Esau

**33** Jacob looked up and there was Esau, coming with his four hundred men; so he divided the children among Leah, Rachel and the two female servants. <sup>2</sup>He put the female servants and their children in front, Leah and her children next, and Rachel and Joseph in the rear. <sup>3</sup>He himself went on ahead and bowed down to the ground seven times as he approached his brother. <sup>4</sup>But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept. <sup>5</sup>Then Esau looked up and saw the women and children. "Who are these with you?" he asked. Jacob answered, "They are the children God has graciously given your servant." <sup>6</sup>Then the female servants and their children approached and bowed down. <sup>7</sup>Next, Leah and her children came and bowed down. Last of all came Joseph and Rachel, and they too bowed down. <sup>8</sup>Esau asked, "What's the meaning of all these flocks and herds I met?" "To find favor in your eyes, my lord," he said. <sup>9</sup>But Esau said, "I already have plenty, my brother. Keep what you have for yourself." <sup>10</sup>"No, please!" said Jacob. "If I have found favor in your eyes, accept this gift from me. For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favorably. <sup>11</sup>Please accept the present that was brought to you, for God has been gracious to me and I have all I need." And because Jacob insisted, Esau accepted it. <sup>12</sup>Then Esau said, "Let us be on our way; I'll accompany you." <sup>13</sup>But Jacob said to him, "My lord knows that the children are tender and that I must care for the ewes and cows that are nursing their young. If they are driven hard just one day, all the animals will die. <sup>14</sup>So let my lord go on ahead of his servant, while I move along slowly at the pace of the flocks and herds before me and the pace of the children, until I come to my lord in Seir." <sup>15</sup>Esau said, "Then let me leave some of my men with you." "But why do that?" Jacob asked. "Just let me find favor in the eyes of my lord." <sup>16</sup>So that day Esau started on his way back to Seir. <sup>17</sup>Jacob, however, went to Sukkoth, where he built a place for himself and made shelters for his livestock. That is why the place is called Sukkoth.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>18</sup>After Jacob came from Paddan Aram,<sup>[b]</sup> he arrived safely at the city of Shechem in Canaan and camped within sight of the city. <sup>19</sup>For a hundred pieces of silver,<sup>[c]</sup> he bought from the sons of Hamor, the father of Shechem, the plot of ground where he pitched his tent. <sup>20</sup>There he set up an altar and called it El Elohe Israel.<sup>[d]</sup>

Footnotes:

[Genesis 33:17](#) *Sukkoth* means *shelters*.

[Genesis 33:18](#) That is, Northwest Mesopotamia

[Genesis 33:19](#) Hebrew *hundred kesitahs*; a kesitah was a unit of money of unknown weight and value.

[Genesis 33:20](#) *El Elohe Israel* can mean *El is the God of Israel* or *mighty is the God of Israel*.

