

## Politics, Purity and Priority

Good Intentions — Minus God — are Godless Intentions Without God

Good intentions, from sincere people, that are not led and fed by the Lord, have absolutely no eternal value and will eventually mislead others to live and do life without hearing first from the Lord. Good intentions, of any kind, no matter their motive, are still lies WHEN they're NOT rooted in truth. We can't let our reasoning give us a REASON to say, "We said..." rather than "God said!" Good intentions are never a legitimate excuse for failing to seek, trust and obey the Lord.

Chapter thirty-six is a chapter that's dealing with just the setting of Esau, and his family. And that's gonna play out down the road with Esau. And Esau was Jacob's brother. And he was a brother that was without the grace of God. He didn't have the promises of God upon his life. And Esau was a man that just did what was right in his own eyes. That's what humanity does as a whole. And if you noticed, I don't know if you picked up on this, but it referred to his descendants and his sons and grandsons, those, those leaders of those tribes, it referred to them as Dukes and chieftains, which was not common among the way that God would describe the breakdown of his lineage that went through Jacob, and Isaac and Abraham, these leaders, these chieftains, and which is also, when you break that down, this is in chapter thirty-six.

And Esau is that representation of a worldly man that never actually has a relationship, a life-transforming relationship with a living God, that changes the trajectory of his life. And he stays in that position, from there on out. So that's why he's a representation of humanity as a whole, that doesn't have a relationship with the Lord and they live without a legitimate hope. And as a result, if they die in that condition, without being born again, made a new creature in Christ, they'll die in that place and be ever separated from the Lord. So we got to have a promise, amen.

Romans chapter nine gives the distinction between Esau and Jacob that God can show compassion to whom he wills, He can show mercy to whom he wills, He has vessels of mercy, and he has vessels of destruction. And that's what Esau represents. Some references you can add here are Genesis 25:25, that's where they called him Esau because he was hairy. And then Edom is brought to light in Genesis 25:30. And that is because of the red stew that he sold his birthright for. Then they started calling him, red, ol' red because he took lightly the fact that he was the firstborn. And it didn't matter to him because he lived temporarily. After all, he said, 'Look, I'm gonna die anyway, it doesn't matter. My birthright doesn't matter. I ain't gonna live forever. I'm gonna die soon anyway. So what does it matter? Let me have that stew.' And he said, You sure? Jacob said You sure you want to give up your birthright to me? For this too? He said, Yeah, it ain't no problem.' And you see, the Scripture says that he minimized his responsibility of who he was because he didn't have a

proper perspective of eternity. He didn't have a proper perspective of who he was, and what God would do and could do and will do. And he took that lightly. Just like we have been adopted into the family of God. And anytime we take that lightly, what do we do we kick at it as if it's of no value. Remember, that we talked about this, not long after I came, I shared a message out of Samuel, how Eli's sons were kicking at the sacrifices. They treated them lightly like it wasn't anything. And God said because you kick my sacrifice, like kicking an old dog that you don't want around you. Think about it, like an old mangy dog that comes up and tries to rub up on you. Yeah, and you want nothing to do with it. And I mean, he's nasty, and you kind of shoo him off. That's how they were treating that which God said was precious. They were kicking at it like it had no value to it. And God says, because you've kicked at the sacrifices your, your, your colon, I'm gonna take it away from you. I'm gonna take it away, because how did they treat it? Lightly as it didn't matter. And that's what Esau did. Esau did that, he took his place in this world lightly. And we have to remember that everything counts, doesn't it? That's why we can count everything. And we can add truth to it. Because everything does count. How important is a little spark plug in an engine? Just one spark plug. Take that spark plug out, what do you have? How important is it? What's that? Does it count? Let's say how important is an oil filter. Just one part. It ain't that expensive of a part.

So it's a small little thing, but it's a significant thing because it all plays together. And the same thing with Esau, he didn't see where his value and the value of his position came from. He took that lightly because he didn't have the right perspective. He couldn't see. He made it all about himself, what was right now, and he fought for his rights, as what was important to him, his rights, what he thought was his right. And therefore, he sought that blessing and he sought it with tears, but he never found room to reconsider his position with God. And therefore, Esau parishes in that same place as humanity, as humanity without the Lord. And that's where we want to engage this humanity in that position, with good news, that hey, despite us, God accepts us not because of us, but because of somebody else, they met somebody else, somebody else stood in the gap for us, somebody else was approved, somebody else was righteous, somebody else lived a life that we couldn't live. So when God accepts us meaning, He approves of us, He accepts us, despite us, because He approved somebody else, the Lord Jesus, amen. And therefore, He then transfers His righteousness, to us."

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#jealousy #favor  
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