

**“The Patriarchs”
Lesson from the Life of an Ordinary Man
Genesis 26
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Isaac has been called the “Pale Patriarch.”

He was a very ordinary son of an extraordinary father and a very ordinary father of an extraordinary son.

Isaac’s **Faith** (vs. 1-6)

Principle: The place of God’s choosing is the place of God’s **blessing**.

Isaac’s **Failure** (vs. 7-11)

Principle: **Creed** has to correspond to conduct.

Isaac’s Finances (vs. 12-25)

His **Means**

His **Meekness**

Principle: When suffering is unwarranted and it’s met with **meekness**, it receives divine approval.

Isaac’s **Forgiveness** (vs. 26-33)

Principle: Never carry a **bitter** spirit.