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Intro:

<u>Main Point of Text:</u> When he hears Jacob obeying his parents as the covenant son, Esau again proves himself to be reprobate by faking repentance.

Main Application of Text: Rest in godly repentance.

Move 1: Don let jealous rage blind and misguide you.

<u>Vss. 6-7</u>: Esau sees Jacob's obedience w/ blind resentment. Jealous of his brother's blessing. <u>27:41</u>: hatefully plots murder. Blames brother for his own foolishness: <u>vs. 36</u> (25:34).

Move 2: Own your mistakes; don't try and cover them up with worldly penance.

<u>Vs. 8</u>: Esau recognizes how much his parents disapprove of his wives. But he recklessly tries to make it better by marrying another wrong wife: vs. 9. Daughter of Ishmael! Makes more of a mess.

Fake repentance:

- Gen. 27:34, 38. Wants a blessing, only to kill his brother! Fake tears.
- <u>READ Hebrews 12:14-17</u>. Doesn't change, just reacts. Tries to pass off lesser evil for truly good in today's text.
- Has only a worldly sorrow. READ 2 Corinthians 7:8-10.

Real repentance seeks not to cover up from displeasure, but open up and renew peace.

Conclusion:

But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it <u>cannot rest</u>, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked. (Isaiah 57:20-21

Rest in godly repentance.