

Esau- learning to avoid a bad deal (study of the soul)

Ge 25:29-34 And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint: 30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. **31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.** 32 **And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?** 33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: **and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.** 34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: **thus Esau despised his birthright**<b@kowrah>.

De 21:17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the firstborn, **by giving him a double portion of all that he hath:** for he is the beginning of his strength; **the right of the firstborn**<b@kowrah> is his.

Ge 27:33-36 And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, and he shall be blessed. 34 **And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry,** and said unto his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father. 35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing. 36 And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: **he took away my birthright;** and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. **And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?**

Heb 12:14-17 Follow peace with all men, **and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:** 15 **Looking diligently** lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; 16 Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, **as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.** 17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: **for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.** -DON'T BE LIKE ESAU! Don't be..

Understand the value of what you've got

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1Sa 17:42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, **he disdained**<bazah> him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

What makes you valuable- **Ec 3:19-21** For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity. 20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again. 21 **Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?**

Ge 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living **soul.**

Ecc 12:7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and **the spirit shall return unto God** who gave it.

How much the soul is worth- **Ps 49:6-8** They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches; 7 **None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him: 8 (For the redemption of their soul is precious,** and it ceaseth for ever:)

Mt 16:24-26 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. 26 **For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?** or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

1Pe 1:18-20 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were **not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold,** from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; 19 **But with the precious blood of Christ,** as of a lamb without

blemish and without spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

Take care of what you've got

The soul can be harmed- **1Pe 2:11** Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, **which war against the soul;**

2Pe 2:8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, **vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;**)

1Pe 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, **seeking whom he may devour;**

Pr 6:32 But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he that doeth it **destroyeth his own soul.**

The soul can be starved- **3Jo 1:1-2** The elder unto the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth. 2 Beloved, I wish above all things **that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.**

Col 3:16 **Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom;** teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

1Th 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, **the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.** -this would be Gaius! Word dwelling in him, working in him. He is filled w/ it and he is living by it!

Heb 5:12-14 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are **become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.** 13 For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. 14 But **strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age,** even those who **by reason of use have their senses exercised** to discern both good and evil.

The soul can drift- **Heb 6:19** Which **hope we have as an anchor of the soul,** both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

Col 1:5 **For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven,** whereof **ye heard before in the word of the truth** of the gospel;

Don't make a bad deal with what you've got

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2Co 4:17-18 For our light affliction, **which is but for a moment,** worketh for us a far more exceeding and **eternal weight of glory;** 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; **but the things which are not seen are eternal.**

1Pe 1:22-23 Seeing ye have **purified your souls in obeying the truth** through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: 23 **Being born again,** not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, **by the word of God,** which liveth and abideth for ever.