

Series: This is My Story, # 4

Isaac **Genesis 21-27**

As we walk through Bible stories, this week let's ponder: what story telling did Isaac hear from his parents Abraham and Sarah?

- * God's call for Abraham to leave his home and go to the Promised Land
- * God's promise that they would have a son, and become a large nation
- * Lying to Pharaoh to protect themselves
- * The birth of Ishmael, a result of trying to 'help' God out

Have you ever asked your parent/s to tell you stories from your family history? As you look at the episodes above, would you be tempted to tell the chapters that make you look good, and avoid or edit the ones that evidence disobedience? How are you telling your children and grandchildren about the grace of God manifested in your life?

After the shocking event in ch. 22, try to imagine: what does Isaac think of his father?

And, what does he think of God after that day?

As you read ch. 24, would you like one of your father's employees to choose a spouse for you?

Reflect on the faith of Abraham's servant, as you read his prayer in Gen. 24:12-14

Isaac shows his faith by the prayer we read about in 25:21 – do you cry out to the Lord like that, when things seem out of your control?

In ch. 26, are you surprised that Isaac repeats the same kind of lie that his father told?

Where do we see the grace of Jesus in the life of Isaac?

What life lessons do we take away from his life and experience?