

Isaac — the Call and Blessing of God

"By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, even regarding things to come." — Hebrews 11:20

Introduction — Memorable Calls

The Story of Isaac

- * Isaac's Birth — Genesis 21:1-3
- * Isaac's Call — Genesis 26:1-5
- * Isaac's Death — Genesis 35:28-29; Hebrews 11:20

Isaac's Call . . . Our Call

- * 1 Corinthians 1:9 — "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."
- * Our Call — By God, To God, For God
- * Our Call — Everyone, Everywhere, In Everything

Isaac's Faith . . . Our Faith

- * Hebrews 11:2,6 — "By faith the men of old gained approval . . . and without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is the rewarder of those who seek Him."
- * Faith is answering the call
- * Faith is acting as if what God said is true
- * Faith is anticipating future and eternal realities

Isaac's Blessing . . . Our Blessing

- * Genesis 26:3-4 — "I will be with you and bless you . . . and by your descendants all the nations of the earth shall be blessed."

* Ephesians 1:3 — “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.”

* So, always be a blessing

* So, at times, give a blessing

> Do it with a touch

> Do it with a word

> Do it without conditions

Conclusion — Answer the Call and Embrace the Blessing