

## Parallels between Genesis 26.34-28.9 and 1 Kings 1

### PARALLELS IN CHARACTERS

**Isaac = David:** the father passing on “blessing”/reign

**Esau = Adonijah,** the “elder” son who reaches out to claim the prize

**Rebekah = Bathsheba:** the mother of the “other” son who seeks to manipulate the “father” to choose “her” son

**Jacob = Solomon:** the “other” son who ends up with the prize

### PARALLELS IN PLOT

**Isaac and David are both “old”** and there is an implicit question of their mental acuity

**Uncertainly in readers over whether the “father” (Isaac/David) are sure which son they are choosing**

**Edom is an “adversary”** (1 Kgs 11.14ff) to Solomon as Esau is to Jacob

**Esau hunted game, while Adonijah sacrificed** oxen, cattle and sheep