

that verse 2 of chapter 27 does start a new section and what is the theme of this section (5 3/4)

stu: The purgings of the sins of Jacob.

Mac: But that is the theme which begins in 27 too and is not a theme which is under consideration (6 1/4)...

stu: maybe we should say blessing.

MacR: for how far?

stu: well, maybe to verse 10.

MacR: to verse 10, blessing.

stu: He talks about purging the sin of Jacob in 9 and then he begins to say yes the defenced the cities shall be desolate and habitation forsaken and so on.

MacR: You feel, though, that in verse 2 of chapter 27 the thought is turned specifically to Rachel and Jacob, that before it's been on God's people, as a whole.

~~MacR~~ Stu: Jacob is very specifically mentioned in this.

MacR: Yes, and that that change comes in verse 2, rather than earlier. The previous verse is on the people as a whole, rather than on the individual -- on Rachel and Jacob. Then you have verse 2, in that day. A figurative vineyard of wine streaming unto it, or (7 1/2) of it. Now, a vineyard of wine, what does that suggest?

stu: The 5th chapter of Isaiah where the figure is used (7 1/2)

MacR: Yes, Israel as the Lord's vineyard, and don't we have a similar figure in the gospels where we have Christ speaking of the vineyard which produced nothing?

stu: (7 3/4)

MacR:

MacR: Yes, so the figure of the vineyard is a figure which seems quite usually to be used of Israel. Is it always so used? (8)

stu: (8 1/4)