

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 28:15**IN THE BEGINNING 8-1**

Behold I am with you and will keep you wherever you go,
and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you
until I have done what I have spoken to you.

"JACOB'S FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS"
Genesis 27:1 – 30:43

1. What was a new thought to you from last week's lesson?

DAY 1 – READ Genesis 27:1-40

2. What did Isaac ask Esau to do and why?
3. a. Overhearing Isaac's request, what did Rebekah tell Jacob to do?

b. List the different sins you see manifested in her actions.

c. What was Jacob's first reaction?

d. Have you ever allowed yourself to be talked into doing something you knew was wrong?
What were the consequences? Please share.
4. Rebekah disguised Jacob. When he approached blind Isaac,
 - a. what caused doubt in Isaac's mind?
 - b. what reassured him?
 - c. Although God intended for Jacob to have the blessing, He did not approve of lying.
What does Leviticus 19:11 say?
5. What provisions were contained in Isaac's blessing of Jacob?
6. When Esau returned and discovered Jacob's deceit, what was his reaction?
7. a. How would you describe the root problem in this family?

b. How do you think each member contributed to the problem?
Isaac

Rebekah

Esau

Jacob

c. What is your impression of the marriage relationship between Isaac and Rebekah?

DAY 2 – READ Genesis 27:41 - 28:9

8. What did Esau vow to himself?
9. a. What was Rebekah's plan?
 - b. What excuse did she give Isaac so he would agree to the plan?
 - c. How did Isaac react?
 - d. What inner thoughts do you think each parent might have had as Jacob left?
Isaac
Rebekah
10. Esau loved his father. In what way did he try to please Isaac?

DAY 3 – READ Genesis 28:10-22

11. a. Describe Jacob's dream . . .
 - b. . . and God's promises.
12. Read verse 17 and then read John 1:51. Who does the ladder represent?
13. Verse 17 says Jacob "was afraid." What do these Psalms say about fear of God?
 - a. Psalm 33:8
 - b. Psalm 34:7
 - c. Psalm 103:13
14. How did Jacob honor God?
15. a. What three promises did Jacob make to God?
 - b. Why do you think Jacob's promise was conditional when God's promise was specific (vs. 20)?

DAY 4 – READ Genesis 29:1-30

16. At the well, Jacob inquired about Laban. Describe his introduction to Rachel.

. . . to Laban.
17. a. What agreement was made between Laban and Jacob?
 - b. Why was each satisfied with the agreement?

DAY 4 (Continued) – READ Genesis 29:1-30

18. a. "A man reaps what he sows." (Galatians 6:7) What deception did Jacob experience?
- b. What do Laban's actions tell you about his character?
19. a. Jacob loved _____ more than _____ and he worked for Laban another ____ years.
- b. (IN-DEPTH) Share another Bible story where a man's love was costly for him.

DAY 5 – READ Genesis 29:31 - 30:43

20. a. Write Psalm 34:18.
- b. What did God do for Leah?
21. Name the children of Jacob by their mothers in verses 29:32 to 30:24.
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| <u>Leah</u> | <u>Bilhah</u> | <u>Zilpah</u> | <u>Rachel</u> |
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22. Consider the problems between women who have shared the same man in Scripture we've studied so far. Why is a monogamous (one wife) marriage of value to us today?
23. a. What request did Jacob make of Laban?
- b. Why was Laban reluctant?
25. Jacob had a plan to increase his flock. As a result, what happened in 30:42?
26. How was Jacob's prosperity described?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: