

“Genesis 28–36”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I gave a presentation titled “Genesis 28-36.” Here are some of the scriptures that I read.

God repeated promises to Jacob

- Genesis 12:1-3—God gave promises to Abraham.
- Genesis 26:2-5—God repeated the promises to Isaac.
- Genesis 28:3-4—God repeated the promises to Jacob.

Isaac instructed Jacob about marriage

- Genesis 27:46—Since the wives of Esau provided stress upon Rebekah, she did not want Jacob to take a wife of Heth.
- Genesis 28:1-2—Isaac instructed Jacob to travel to Padan Aram and to marry a daughter of Laban.
- Genesis 28:6-9—When Esau heard what Isaac told Jacob, Esau added an additional wife (more in line with the expectations of his parents).

Jacob’s ladder

- Genesis 28:10-12—Jacob had a dream about a ladder with angels of God ascending and descending on it.
- Genesis 28:13-15—In the dream, God repeated the family promises to Jacob.
- Genesis 28:16-22—Jacob set up a pillar and made a vow to God.

Jacob met Rachel

- Genesis 29:1-15—After Jacob came to a well and met Rachel, she went to tell Laban about Jacob, and Laban came to meet Jacob.
- Genesis 29:16-17—Laban had two daughters (Leah and Rachel).
- Genesis 29:18-20—Jacob loved Rachel and agreed to serve Laban for seven to have her as his wife.
- Genesis 29:21-25—At the marriage feast, Laban deceived Jacob (by substituting Leah into the place of Rachel).

- Genesis 29:26—Laban explained his reason for the deception—it was the custom for the older daughter to be married before younger daughters.
- Genesis 29:27-30—Jacob agreed to serve Laban for another seven years.
- Genesis 29:31—When the LORD saw that Rachel was unloved, He opened Leah's womb.

Jacob's children

- Genesis 29:32—Jacob and Leah had Reuben.
- Genesis 29:33—Jacob and Leah had Simeon.
- Genesis 29:34—Jacob and Leah had Levi.
- Genesis 29:35—Jacob and Leah had Judah.
- Genesis 30:1-2—Rachel expressed her frustration to Jacob about her inability to have children.
- Genesis 30:3-6—Jacob and Bilhah had Dan.
- Genesis 30:7-8—Jacob and Bilhah had Naphtali.
- Genesis 30:9-11—Jacob and Zilpah had Gad.
- Genesis 30:12-13—Jacob and Zilpah had Asher.
- Genesis 30:14-18—Jacob and Leah had Issachar.
- Genesis 30:19-20—Jacob and Leah had Zebulun.
- Genesis 30:21—Jacob and Leah had Dinah.
- Genesis 30:22-24—Jacob and Rachel had Joseph.
- Genesis 35:16-22—Jacob and Rachel had Benjamin.
- Genesis 35:23-26—The listing of Jacob's 12 sons is repeated.

Jacob and Laban

- Genesis 30:25-31—When Jacob expressed that he wanted to leave Laban, Laban asked him to stay and told him to name his wages.
- Genesis 30:31-43—When Jacob agreed to stay, he asked for animals with specific identifying marks (to make it clear that he would not steal from Laban's flock).
- Genesis 31:1-18—After Jacob saw that the sons of Laban influenced Laban to change his attitude toward him, he and his family decided to leave.
- Genesis 31:19-42—After Rachel stole some of Laban's idols, Jacob sneaked away, and Laban pursued.
- Genesis 31:43-55—Later, Jacob and Laban made an agreement.

Jacob reached out to Esau

- Genesis 32:1-5—Jacob wanted to see Esau.
- Genesis 32:6-8—Jacob heard that Esau was coming with 400 men.
- Genesis 32:9-12—Jacob asked God for deliverance.
- Genesis 32:13-21—Jacob sent his men to Esau with animals (as gifts).

Jacob wrestled with God

- Genesis 32:22-32—The account of Jacob wrestling with God and God changing his name to Israel.

Jacob and Esau had friendly encounter

- Genesis 33:1-4—When Esau came to see Jacob, Esau ran to greet him with affection.
- Genesis 33:5-22—Esau and Jacob expressed a favorable relationship.

Brothers avenged Dinah

- Genesis 34:1-4—After Shechem (son of Hamor) raped Dinah, he asked his father to arrange a marriage.
- Genesis 34:5-7—After Hamor approached Jacob about a possible marriage, the brothers heard about the request and were furious.
- Genesis 34:8-12—When Hamor and Shechem talked to the brothers, they wanted to know what should be done to make the wedding happen.
- Genesis 34:13-24—The brothers tricked Shechem and the other men into being circumcised.
- Genesis 34:25-31—Three days later, Simeon and Levi killed every man in town.

Rachel and Isaac died

- Genesis 35:1-15—When Jacob returned to Bethel, God blessed Jacob.
- Genesis 35:16-20—When Benjamin was born, Rachel died.
- Genesis 35:29—Isaac died.

Genealogy of Esau (Edom)

- Genesis 36:1—This is the genealogy of Esau, who is Edom.
- Genesis 36:8—Esau is Edom.
- Genesis 36:9—This is the genealogy of Esau (the father of the Edomites).
- Genesis 36:43—Esau was the father of the Edomites.