

THE BIBLE IN STORY No. 8—Genesis 30:25-33:10; 35:1-29

I. Jacob is prospered by God while working for Laban. (30:25-43)

II. Jacob leaves Laban (31:1-55)

- A. Jacob is displeased with his treatment by Laban.
- B. He leaves with his wives and his possessions, and Laban follows.
- C. God warns Laban not to harm Jacob.
- D. Laban meets Jacob and searches unsuccessfully for the teraphim.
- E. Jacob and Laban make a covenant not to harm each other.

III. Jacob and Esau meet (32:1-33:17)

- A. Esau has said that he would kill Jacob.
- B. Jacob wrestles with the angel at the book, and his name is changed to Israel.
- C. Jacob sends messengers to meet Esau and finds that Esau is coming to meet him with 400 men.
- D. Jacob sends 560 animals to Esau as presents.
- E. They finally meet peacefully and part from one another again.

IV. Jacob destroys the idols. (35:1-4)

V. Rachel dies. (35:16-20)

VI. Isaac dies when 180 years old (35:28-29)

QUESTIONS

1. What were the wages Laban gave to Jacob? (Gen. 30:31-32)
2. Did Jacob do well under those wages?
3. Why did Jacob decide to leave Laban?
4. What did Rachel steal? What were they used for?
5. Did Rachel and Leah think that their father had been good to them? (31:14-16)
6. Whom did Jacob wrestle with? What blessing did he give Jacob?
7. Was Jacob afraid to meet Esau? Why?
8. What did Jacob send to Esau to take away his anger? Did Esau accept them?
9. How did Rachel die?
10. Name the twelve sons of Jacob. (35:23-26) Of which one was Jesus a descendent?