

### **III. THE LIFE OF JACOB (27:1—36:43)**

#### **A. Jacob Gains Esau's Blessing (27:1—28:9)**

1. Summarize how Jacob obtained the blessing intended for Esau (27:1–29).
2. How did Esau react when he found out that Jacob had been blessed (27:30–40)?
3. What did Jacob have to do to escape his brother's anger (27:41–46)?
4. Why couldn't Isaac take a wife from Canaan (28:1–10)?

#### **B. Jacob's Life at Haran (28:10—32:32)**

1. What happened at Bethel (28:10–22)?
2. How did Jacob meet Rachel (29:1–14)?
3. What is ironic about how Jacob is deceived by Laban (29:15–30)?
4. Name the children that Leah bore (29:31–35; 30:14–21).
5. Why did Jacob have children by Bilhah (30:1–8)? What were their names?

6. Name the children of Jacob by Zilpah (30:9–13).
  
7. Name the child that Rachel bore (30:22–24).
  
8. What agreement did Jacob make with Laban (30:25–43)?
  
9. How did Jacob depart from Laban (31:1–21)?
  
10. Why did Laban pursue Jacob (31:22–42)? Who deceived Laban?

11. What covenant did Laban make with Jacob (31:43–55)?

### C. Jacob's Return (32:1—33:20)

1. After Jacob left Laban, what did he fear (32:1–21)? Why? What did he decide to do?

2. What is the significance of Jacob wrestling (32:22–32)? Who did he wrestle with? What was the result?

3. Describe the meeting between Jacob and Esau (33:1–11).

4. What did Jacob and Esau decide to do (33:12–17)?

5. Where did Jacob settle (33:18–20)? What did he do then?

### D. Jacob's Residence in Canaan (34:1—36:43)

1. What happened to Dinah, the daughter of Leah (34:1–7)?

2. How was the issue resolved (34:8–31)?

3. Why did Jacob return to Bethel (35:1–15)? What happens at this location?

4. How did Rachel die (35:16–20)? Where was she buried?

5. How would you sum up the life of Jacob (35:22b–29)?

#### E. The History of Esau (36:1–43)

1. Where did Esau get his wives from (36:2)? What was so bad about this?

2. Why is the genealogy of Esau recorded for us (36:1–43)?