

## GOOD NEWS CLUB AGENDA

### PATRIARCHS OF OUR FAITH #5 – “Jacob, the Deceiver Deceived” Genesis 28:10–29:35; 30:1-24; 31:2–7, 11, 13–18; 32:6-23; 33:1–4; 35:1-15, 27

WEEK OF:

MAIN TRUTH: Remember that choosing to sin brings sorrow.

TO DO AS THE CHILDREN ARRIVE:

1. Greet the children; make them feel welcome.
2. Take attendance.
3. Listen to previous week’s memory verse.
4. Have children put money in missions bank.

PRE-SESSION ACTIVITY:

OLDER CHILD: “Get Rid of What Causes Sin”

YOUNGER CHILD: “Jacob’s Dream”

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PRAYER: (4 minutes)

1. Prayer song: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Ask the children to share any “Thank You Prayers” or “Please Prayers” they have.
3. Lead the class in “Thank You Prayers” and “Please Prayers.”

MEMORY VERSE: (7 minutes)

**Galatians 6:7** – *“Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”*

(The underlined portion of the verse indicates what the younger children should memorize. See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for helps in teaching the verse to the younger children.)

“**Play Ping-Pong**” – After you have read this verse from your Bible, explained what it means, and repeated it at least two times, you may begin this drill. Divide the class into two groups and have them stand facing each other. The groups say phrases of the verse in turn as the teacher points to them; going from side to side.

HYMN FOR PATRIARCHS OF OUR FAITH: (2 minutes)

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BIBLE LESSON: (20 minutes)

**PATRIARCHS OF OUR FAITH #5 – “Jacob, the Deceiver Deceived”**

(See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for ways to involve the children in the Bible lesson.)

COUNSEL TIME:

(If you have a helper, hostess, or Teacher Junior Grade, let them do the review time while you counsel those who responded to the invitation. Otherwise, at the end of club, be sure to remind them to stay for a few minutes so you can counsel them.)

QUIET TIME NOTEBOOK/TAKE TIME TO REVIEW: (1 minute)

From the returned TTtR/Q.T.N.s, mention one or two of the children's responses to the Main Truth challenge. Hand out Take Time to Review/Quiet Time Notebook, Patriarchs of Our Faith #5. Ask the children to complete the booklet before the next club. Remind them that they need to show you their TTtR/Q.T. Notebook next week.

LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS: (5 minutes)

Teach information for Week #22.

MISSIONARY TIME: (13 minutes)

1. Sing "God's Way" while child comes to look in the "Go and Tell" Box.
2. Share missionary information for Week #21 using the "Go and Tell" Box and pray. (See attached page.)
3. Show goal chart and mention the amount given so far.
4. Missions song: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Story: *Until the Letter Came*. Teach the part of the story for Week #13.

REVIEW ACTIVITY: (6 minutes)

Use activity of your choice or the Bible Learning Game from "Involvement Helps for Younger Children."

Review questions for PATRIARCHS OF OUR FAITH #5: (Finish the statements below.)

1. **What did Jacob dream one night after he left home?** (A ladder was going from Earth to Heaven. Angels were going up and down. God was at the top telling him that all families would be blessed through him.)
2. **Once Jacob arrived at the well outside Haran, whose sheep did he give water to?** (He gave water to Rachel's sheep. Her father was Laban, his mother's brother.)
3. **How did Jacob answer when Laban asked how he could pay Jacob for his labor?** (He said he would work 7 years to marry Rachel.)
4. **The morning after his wedding, who did Jacob discover he married?** (Leah, Rachel's older sister)
5. **Why did Laban trick Jacob?** (He said in his country the older was to be given in marriage first.)
6. **Jacob loved Rachel and wanted to marry her, so what did he agree to do?** (Work for Laban another 7 years, though Laban said he could marry Rachel in a week.)
7. **Rachel could not have children, so what did she do?** (Give her servant to be Jacob's wife)
8. **Leah did the same, and soon Jacob had 4 wives, but was this God's way?** (No, God said for a man to have one wife.)
9. **The Promised Saviour would be born to which of Jacob's sons?** (Judah, Leah's son)
10. **When Jacob was told Esau was coming to meet him with 400 men, what did he do?** (Pray)
11. **How did the reunion of Jacob and Esau go?** (Jacob honored Esau by bowing, calling him lord, and giving him gifts. Esau ran to meet Jacob and hugged him. They cried.)
12. **What new name did God give Jacob, the deceiver?** (Israel, the father of a great nation)
13. **If Jesus is your Saviour, you should remember that what brings sorrow?** (Sin)

\*COUNSEL TIME: (\*Only if you did not counsel with the children earlier.)

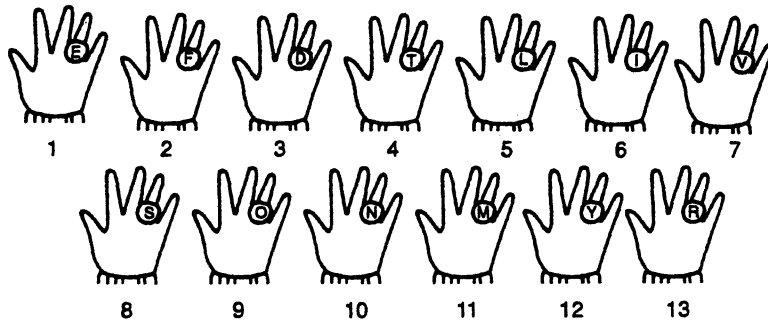
SEND HOME WITH THE CHILDREN:

1. Pre-session papers for the older and younger child
2. Memory verse token
3. Quiet Time Notebook/Take Time to Review, Patriarchs of Our Faith #5

## Get Rid of What Causes Sin

Jesus wants us to do what's right. He said we should get rid of what causes us to do wrong things. In fact, Jesus said that we would be better off without our hands, feet, or eyes than for us to let them cause us to sin. Now, He didn't mean we should actually get rid of our hands, feet, and eyes. He was pointing out that sometimes there are things that we think are necessary, but if they cause us to sin, they aren't really necessary and we should get rid of them.

*Put the initial from each ring in the blanks with the same number as the hand wearing the ring. You will discover some things that may cause you to do wrong things.*



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4      1      5      1      7      6      8      6      9      10

*How might this cause you to sin?*

\_\_\_\_\_

2      13      6      1      10      3      8

*How might this cause you to sin?*

\_\_\_\_\_

11      9      10      1      12

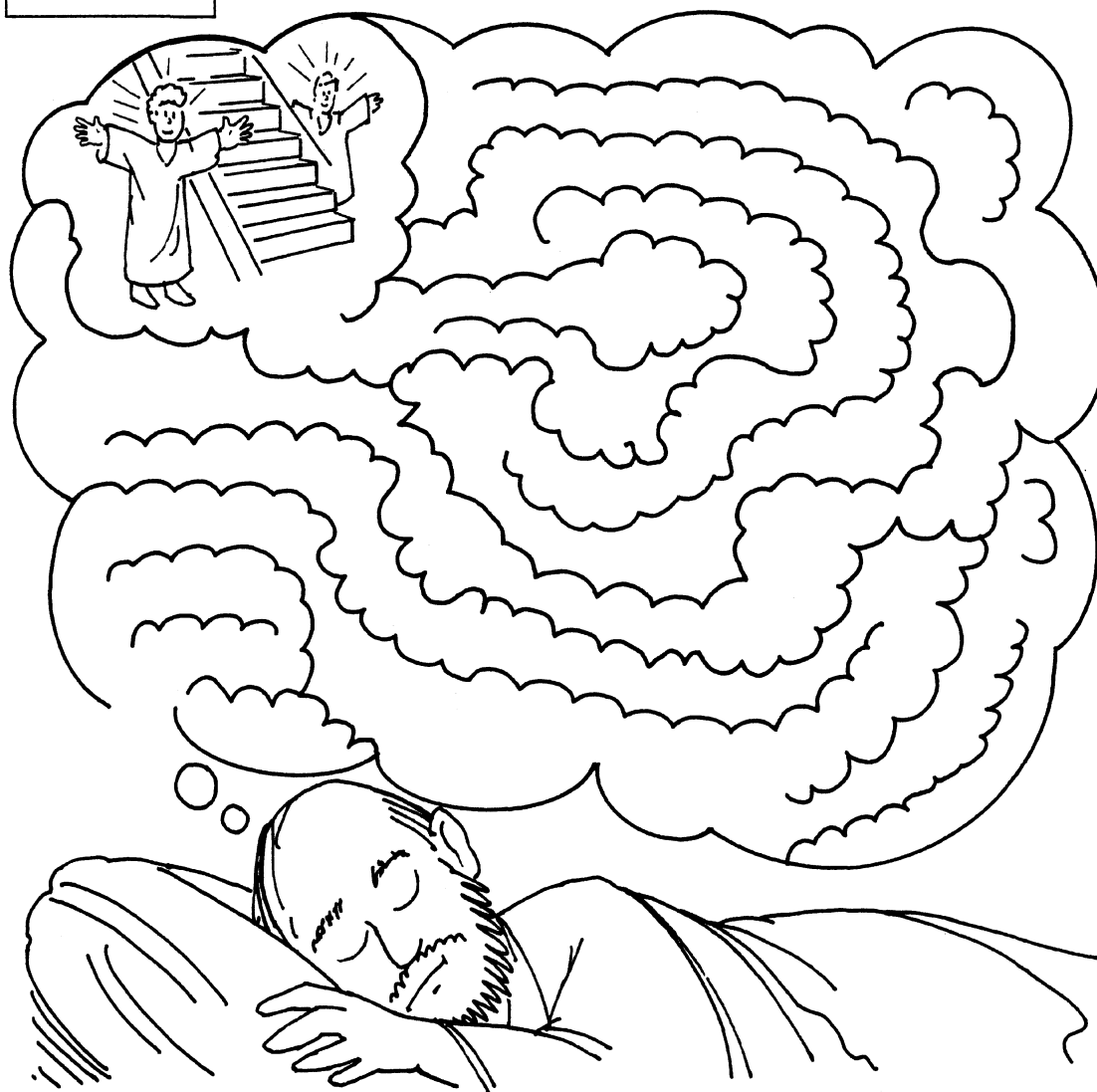
*How might this cause you to sin?*

*Can you think of other things that may seem necessary, but actually could cause you to sin?*

## Jacob's Dream

**J**acob had a dream about God's promises to Abraham and Isaac.  
God promised Jacob that He would return him to the Promised Land.

Follow the path to  
the stairway in  
Jacob's dream.



**“... Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”  
Galatians 6:7**

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# MEMORY VERSE HELPS

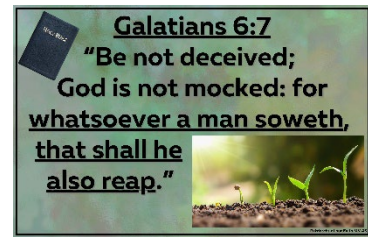
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Patriarchs of our Faith #5 - "Jacob, the Deceiver Deceived"

## Galatians 6:7

***“Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for  
whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”***

NOTE: Teach this verse following the lesson.



### **Introduction:**

*(Show the children an apple.)* Would you believe I planted a banana seed and was surprised when this apple grew from it? No, everyone knows that apple seeds produce apple trees, orange seeds produce orange trees, and so on. The type of seed you plant is the type of tree you will grow. In today's Bible verse God talks about planting and growing.

### **Presentation:**

*(Read the verse from the Bible. Then hold the flashcard for children to see and have them read the verse with you.)*

### **Explanation:**

*Be not deceived* – the Bible says don't be tricked.

*God is not mocked* – we're not to take lightly what God says or be fooled into thinking that what He says doesn't matter.

*for whatsoever (whatever) a man soweth (plants), that shall he also reap (grow and be able to have)* – God is not talking about planting trees or a garden. He's talking about the way we live our lives. For example, if you choose to disobey God and do wrong things you will eventually be punished. However, if you obey God and do good things you will please God and receive His blessings.

### **Application:**

(Saved) If you know Jesus as your Saviour, be warned that if you choose to disobey God and do things your own way, you can expect trouble for yourself and others. Will you ask Him right now to help you to obey and live His way?

(Unsaved) If you don't know Jesus as your Saviour, you don't have God's power to help you choose to obey. You can have that power today if you first trust Jesus to forgive your sin.

### **Repetition:**

Play Ping-Pong—divide the class into two groups and have them stand facing each other. The groups say phrases of the verse in turn as the teacher points to them; going from side to side.

**Teaching tip** for reinforcing the memory verse in the class hour:

*Have several pictures of children doing good and a few pictures of children acting sinful. Have children do a "thumbs up" when the children in the picture are sowing seeds of goodness, a "thumbs down" when they are not.*

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# INVOLVEMENT HELPS FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

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## Patriarchs #5 – “Jacob, the Deceiver Deceived”

MEMORY VERSE: Shortened verse

Galatians 6:7 – “... Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”

Clap hands on top of knees slowly and evenly. Clap on each capitalized syllable.

*“WHAT–so–EV–er a MAN sow–ETH, \_\_\_\_\_  
THAT shall HE \_\_\_\_\_ AL–so REAP.”*

### BIBLE LESSON HELPS:

Progression ~ Have children grab a rock for a pillow and pretend to sleep.

Flashcard 5-2 ~ Have children run quickly in place.

Flashcard 5-5 ~ Have children pack and walk in place.

~ Have children show on their face how they may have felt.

### BIBLE LEARNING GAME: adapted from “London Bridge”

Have two children face one another with arms upraised, forming an arch. Another child, chosen to be the signal giver, stands with back to group. When signaler calls out, “Go,” other children begin walking, one by one, in a continuous line under the arch.

When signaler calls, “Trapped,” the arch comes down, trapping a child in the middle. Trapped child then names something that would be sin, such as telling a lie, fighting, etc.

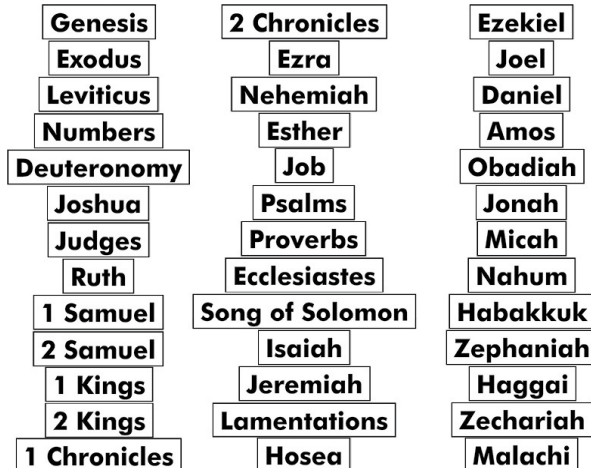
Together everyone says, “Do not trick yourself into thinking that you can choose to sin and get away with it. God sees your sin.”

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# LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS

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WEEK #22



*(Place figure #1.)* Week by week since October, we have been learning the books of the Old Testament. This week we are going to review all the books of the Old Testament. Who remembers how many books there are altogether in the Old Testament? 39. They are divided into five sections. The first section is Law. How many books of Law are there? Five. Who can tell me what those five books are? *Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy.*

The next section in the Old Testament has 12 books. Do you recall what that section is called? *History.* Let's say them together: *Joshua, Judges, Ruth, First and Second Samuel, First and Second Kings, First and Second Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther.* Now let's say the books of Law and the books of History together all at once: *Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, First and Second Samuel, First and Second Kings, First and Second Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther.* You did a good job. Now let's continue to the next section.

Who remembers what section follows the books of History? *The books of Poetry.* How many books of Poetry are there? Five. Does anyone know the five books? *Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon.* We have now reviewed 22 books of the Old Testament, and there are only 17 left. The first five are the Major Prophets. Let's say them together: *Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel.* Now let's add them to the books of Law, History, and Poetry and repeat them altogether.

This brings us to the last section of the Old Testament. Do you remember what they are called and how many books are in that section? *The Minor Prophets and 12.* Let's slowly say their names: *Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi.*

Now one more time, let's say all the books of the Old Testament together. *Genesis ... Malachi* How many are there? *39 books in the Old Testament.* It's important to learn the books of the Bible because it is God's Word to us. If we know them in order, it helps us to find them when we need to look up a verse.



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# GO AND TELL BOX

## WEEK #21 – GREAT COMMISSION PART 3

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### INFORMATION

*(Suggested item to put in the “Go and Tell” Box – Atheist and Muslim figures.)*

Let’s review what we learned about these children last week. *(Place figure and wordstrips from previous week on flannelboard.)*

1. **Christian** – They are the true believers in Jesus.
2. **Nominal** – They only say they are Christians.
3. **Unbeliever** – They may have some knowledge of the Gospel but have not believed in and received Jesus as their personal Saviour.

Let’s look in our “Go and Tell” Box. *(Pull out each figure and wordstrip as you talk about them.)*

It has been said that “America is the melting pot of the world.” This means that many people come here from other countries and bring their religious beliefs with them. Therefore, some of the different religious groups we will talk about live right here in America.

There are different religious groups who do not believe in the God of the Bible. They may have heard of the true and living God, but their beliefs do not include the true God.



1. **Atheist** – There are 37 million people in America who claim to be atheists. *(Place figure and wordstrip on the flannelboard.)* They believe there is no God, and they do not accept the Bible as God’s Word. You may know someone who claims to be an atheist. Atheists are usually adults, but sometimes a child says he is one just because someone else says so.

2. **Muslim** – There are about 6½ million people in America who claim to be Muslims. *(Place figure and wordstrip on the flannelboard.)* To a Muslim, their god is far away, and people cannot know him in a personal way. To them, forgiveness is primarily achieved by practicing the five pillars of Islam.
- a. Recitals of the creed, “There is no god but Allah and Mohammed is his Prophet.”
  - b. Daily prayer - five times a day at a set time.
  - c. Fasting (not eating) during the month of Ramadan.
  - d. Almsgiving (giving money) to the poor.
  - e. Pilgrimage (making a trip) to Mecca is required, if financially possible.



It is important that we tell these people about Jesus. Remember that the Great Commission says we are to “**Go . . . to every creature.**” (person). They are lost in sin until they believe in the true God and His Son, Jesus.

*Adapted from: THE GREAT COMMISSION – MISSIONS (Original content from William Carey Library)*

### PRAYER

**THANK** God for Good News Club (Released Time Class) where you learn the Truth about God.

**ASK** God to help you to be bold in sharing who the Lord Jesus is and what He has done with others who do not know Him.



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**Remember that  
choosing  
to sin  
brings  
sorrow.**



- Messengers returned to tell Jacob that Esau coming to meet him with 400 men. Was Esau going to get even?

- Jacob divided family and servants into 2 groups. He prayed for God to save them (Read Genesis 32:9-12)

- You and I also need God to save us. This is why He sent Jesus to the Earth as a baby.

**P, E**

**1 Cor. 15:3b-4** – “... **Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.**”

- I'm thankful God sent Jesus to save you and me from our sins

- Jacob needed God to save him from his brother taking revenge

- Imagine how Jacob, his wives, his children were feeling as they walked towards Esau/400 men

### FLASHCARD 5-6

- (Read Gen. 33:3-4) Jacob bowed down 7x until he came near Esau who ran to him and hugged him. They wept.

- Esau wasn't getting revenge on his brother. He had forgiven

- Jacob showed honor to Esau by bowing down, calling him lord, giving him some animals for a gift

- How happy brothers were now that their relationship was restored

- Sin brings sorrow, forgiveness brings peace. Forgiveness allowed Jacob see father again

- God, "No more called Jacob, deceiver, but Israel because father of great nation." He was keeping promise to Abraham through grandson Jacob.

- God also promises to save those who call on Him.

### INVITATION

**Rom. 10:13** – “**For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.**”

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### BOW HEADS RESPONSE

### CHALLENGE

**G** – Go over **MT: REMEMBER THAT CHOOSING TO SIN BRINGS SORROW**

**R** – Review PAS verse **Galatians 6:7** – “**Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.**” (MV)

**O** – Overview PAS examples

1.  
2.  
3.

**W** – Will you do it?

## Patriarchs of Our Faith #5

Genesis 28:10-29:35; 30:1-24;  
31:2-7, 11, 13-18; 32:6-23;  
33:1-4; 35:1-15, 27

- Sin always has consequences!

- May feel good to steal candy, hit sibling when angry, stay up on phone instead of sleeping, getting back at someone, but good feeling won't last.

- Your sin will find you out. If no one sees you, God does. You will be held accountable. There are consequences.

- Last week saw how Isaac, Rebekah, Esau, Jacob's sin caused problems.

- Jacob left home because brother wanted to kill him. God protected him.

- Would Jacob see Isaac again? Would Esau and Jacob's relationship be restored? Find out in today's Bible lesson

- Jacob on run. His sin got him into trouble. Both brothers had sinned, but they're not only ones

**S, PAU**

**Jer. 17:9** – “**The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked....**”

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2.  
3.

- Jacob's sin not only separated him from God, but also from his family.

- Jacob off to Haran. Stopped for night. Rock for pillow. Slept.

### FLASHCARD 5-1

- As Jacob slept, he dreamed. There was a ladder from Earth to Heaven. Angels going up and down ladder. God at top. (Read Genesis 28:13-15)

- Jacob woke. God was showing him that although he sinned, God still loved him

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- There was nothing Jacob could do to make God stop loving him. God was telling him through a dream.

- Next morning. (Read Genesis 28:20-21) Called place Bethel

### FLASHCARD 5-2

- Jacob arrived outside Haran, stopped at well, probably where Eliezer met Rebekah

- To shepherds, “Where are you from?” “Haran.”

- “Do you know Laban? Well?”

- “Yes. In fact, here comes his daughter Rachel. She cares for his sheep.”

- Jacob brought up water from the well for her sheep.

- Introduced himself to Rachel, "Hello, I'm Jacob, son of your father's sister, Rebekah."
- Rachel ran to tell her father.

#### FLASHCARD 5-3

- Laban came to meet Jacob. Invited him to stay with them.
- Jacob worked for him 1 month. Laban asked how much pay him
- Jacob, "I will serve you for 7 years in exchange to marry your younger daughter Rachel." Bible says he loved her.
- Seemed good to Laban.
- After 7 years, Jacob reminded Laban. They had feast to celebrate J & R's wedding

- However, next morning Jacob discovered Laban tricked him into marrying older daughter, Leah instead of Rachel

- How'd he not know? Veil/head covering not see-through like today, but thicker/hard to see

- Jacob to Laban, "What have you done to me? Agreed 7 years for Rachel. Why deceive me?"

- Jacob (deceiver) who deceived father was calling Laban out on trickery

- Laban, "In our country, older daughter must be given in marriage first. If you agree to work another 7 years you can marry Rachel in a week.

- Jacob really wanted to marry Rachel, so he agreed.
- After a week, Jacob finally married Rachel. Bible, Jacob loved Rachel more than Leah.

- Not God's way to have more than one wife. Had Jacob not learned that favoritism leads to sorrow/sadness

#### MT - REMEMBER THAT CHOOSING TO SIN BRINGS SORROW

- Often, we don't think our sin hurts others, but it does. Sin always brings sorrow.

- Last week we saw how Jacob's sin caused him to flee from home. What sorrow come from marrying 2 wives? From loving Rachel more than Leah?

#### FLASHCARD 5-4

- When God saw Leah not loved, made it so Leah had children, but not Rachel.

- Leah gave birth to 4 sons: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah

- Rachel envied/jealous of Leah. Children are important, a blessing, to not have children you were looked down upon

- Rachel decided to solve problem by giving her servant, Bilhah, to be Jacob's wife

- She thought she'd feel better if Bilhah had children for her

- Bilhah became Jacob's wife and had 2 sons: Dan, Naphtali
- Was this God's way? No!

- Leah gave her servant, Zilpah to be Jacob's wife

- Zilpah gave birth to 2 sons: Gad and Asher. Was this God's way? No!

- Leah then had 2 more sons: Issachar, Zebulun. Then she had a daughter, Dinah.

- Rachel finally had a son, Joseph

- Jacob now had 4 wives, 11 sons, and 1 daughter. This was not God's way. Would He still keep promises to Abraham?

- Yes. God can be trusted to keep all His promises

- In fact, promised Saviour came through the family of Judah

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- Jesus would be born into Judah's family. Remember who his mom was? Leah

- God chose one of Leah's sons instead of Rachel's. His choices are always right, but you and I don't always make right choice

- Choosing our way and not God's way is sin, and sin always brings sorrow.

#### MT, PAS - REMEMBER THAT CHOOSING TO SIN BRINGS SORROW

- Galatians 6:7 - "Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." (MV)

1.

2.

3.

- God sees your sin. It will bring sorrow.

- Jacob choosing his way, not God's way would bring sorrow like we learned last week.

- One consequence of Jacob deceiving his father was he had to flee. Been away for 20 years.

#### FLASHCARD 5-5

- One day God spoke to Jacob (Read Genesis 31:3).

- Jacob told Rachel and Leah of his dream. They told him to do whatever God said.

- So, they packed up everything and began the journey back to Canaan.

- When close to Canaan, Jacob sent messengers to Esau to inform him of Jacob's return and wealth (Read Genesis 32:5)