

Jacob and Laban: Round 2 - Genesis 30:25-43

I. Jacob's Desire to Return Home - Gen 30:25-28

A. Jacob Announces His Departure - v. 25-26

"my own p_____ and my own c_____ " -

B. Laban Pleads for Him to Remain - v. 27-28

"I have learned by "d_____", rather than "by experience".
naw-khash' - Gen 44:5,15; Lev 19:26; 2Ki 17:17

II. Jacob's Plan - Gen 30:29-34

A. Jacob Appeal by His Record - v. 29-30

The c_____ God had made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob demonstrated at this very moment: Gen 12:2-3

2 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a b_____.

3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be b_____."

B. Jacob's Proposal - v. 31-34

III. Jacob P_____ - Gen 30:35-43

A. Laban's True Colors - v. 35-36

What is perfect with this plan is not how it works for Laban, but how it s_____ the s_____ even more powerfully for the clear work of God.

B. Jacob's Human Plan - v. 37-38

A whole variety of theories proposed for why Jacob did this.

- When the bark was stripped back from the branch and placed in the watering trough some sort of s_____ was released that stimulated the animals to breed or conceive.
- "maternal impression process" - "the common belief that a vivid s_____ during conception or pregnancy would leave its mark on the offspring."- Currid
- G_____ instructed Jacob at some point to implement this method with the flocks and that God would bless this method in this way for this man, Jacob only, this one time in history.
- An old wives tale or s_____. God's will was to bring blessing upon Jacob because of His covenant promise, so God worked in s_____ of, rather than because of or through the stripped branches

C. Jacob's Plan Carried Out - v. 39-43

1. Multiplication of the Multi-Colored - v. 39-40

2. Strengthening His Herd - v. 41-42

"And it came to pass" - tempora Frequentativa - used to introduce actions frequently r_____ - Currid.. It was likely over the process of years rather than a few days or months.

3. Exceeding Prosperity of God - v. 43 Gen 31:6-9
... for I crossed over this Jordan with my s_____, and now I have become t_____ c_____. - Gen 32:10

CONCLUSION: