



F. The Choosing of Jacob (Genesis 25:19-34)

1. Location

- a. Seems to have been near Kadeshbarnea (See Journeys of the Patriarchs map)
- b. At the well of Lahai-roi (Genesis 25:11)
- c. The blessing of the firstborn
 - i. At or near Beersheba (Genesis 26:33; Genesis 27)

2. The Events

- a. At the birth of Esau and Jacob (Genesis 25:23)
 - i. The Lord promises to choose Jacob (Genesis 25:23)
 - ii. The Lord chose Jacob over Esau (Malachi 1:2-3; Romans 9:13)
- b. At the bargaining of the birthright (Genesis 25:29-34)
 - i. Jacob bargains with Esau for his birthright
 - ii. Esau was carnal
 - iii. Esau cared not for his own birthright, he cared more for his flesh, for carnal things (Genesis 25:31-33)
 1. The flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh (Galatians 5:17)
 2. If one sows to the flesh they shall reap of the flesh, if one sows to the Spirit they shall reap of the Spirit (Galatians 6:8)
 3. Our goal should be to walk in the Spirit (Galatians 5:16)
- c. At the blessing of the firstborn (Genesis 27)

G. The Fleeing of Jacob

1. Locations (See Journeys of the Patriarchs map)

- a. From Beersheba (Genesis 28:10)
- b. To Haran (Genesis 27:43; Genesis 28:10)
- c. Through Bethel (Genesis 28:19)

2. The Events

- a. Jacob flees to Haran, to his uncle Laban's house
- b. Jacob spends a night in Bethel and dreams (Genesis 28:10-19)
 - i) Seeing angels ascending and descending on a ladder between heaven and earth
 - ii) The Lord promises to bless Jacob just like he had promised Abraham (Genesis 12:2-3), and Isaac (Genesis 26:2-5).
 - iii) Jacob makes a vow to God (Genesis 28:20-22)
- c. Jacob marries Leah and Rachel while in Laban's house (Genesis 29:15-30)



H. The Sons of Jacob

1. Sons by Leah
 - a. Reuben (Genesis 29:32)
 - b. Simeon (Genesis 29:33)
 - c. Levi (Genesis 29:34)
 - d. Judah (Genesis 29:35)
 - e. Issachar (Genesis 29:18)
 - f. Zebulun (Genesis 29:20)
2. Sons by Rachel (through her handmaid Bilhah)
 - a. Dan (Genesis 29:6)
 - b. Naphtali (Genesis 29:8)
3. Sons by Leah (through her handmaid Zilpah)
 - a. Gad (Genesis 29:11)
 - b. Asher (Genesis 29:13)
4. Sons by Rachel
 - a. Joseph (Genesis 29:24)
 - b. Benjamin (Genesis 35:16-20)

I. The Daughter of Jacob

1. Daughter by Leah
 - a. Dinah (Genesis 29:21)

J. The Return of Jacob

1. Told to return to Canaan by the Lord (Genesis 31:1-3)
2. The stealing away of Jacob (Genesis 31:17-18)
3. To Mount Gilead (Genesis 31:23) – (See Journeys of the Patriarchs map)
 - a. Where Laban and Jacob made a covenant between them (Genesis 31:43-44)
 - b. Setting up a stone (up for a pillar), and a heap of stones (Genesis 31:45-55)
 - i) As a witness between them
 - ii) That they pass not over to do harm to one another
4. Over Jabbok (Genesis 32:22)
 - a. Where he would wrestle with God (Genesis 32:22-24; Genesis 32:30-31)
5. To Peniel (Genesis 32:28-32)
 - a. Jacob called the place *Peniel* (or Penuel)
 - i) Means: “*Face of God*”
 - ii) Jacob wrestled with God here
 - iii) Jacob’s name was changed to Israel here (Genesis 32:28)
 - iv) A town was later erected here, and Gideon would visit it on his way in battle (Judges 8:8-9; 17)
 - v) Jeroboam would build it again (1 Kings 12:25)
 - b. To meet Esau (Genesis 33:1-4)



6. To Succoth (Genesis 33:17) – (See Kingdom of David and Solomon map)
 - a. Where Jacob built an house and made booths for his cattle
 - b. Succoth means: “*booths*”
 - i) The name is used to refer to the Feast of Tabernacles or Feast of Booths.
 - ii) Celebrated on the 15th day of the month Tishri (late September to late October).
7. To Shalem (Genesis 33:18-19) – (See Kingdom of David and Solomon map)
 - a. A city of Schechem
 - b. This would be near Mt. Ebal and Mt. Gerizim
 - c. Jacob builds an altar