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## LESSON 1: The Life of Jacob The Deceiver



**READ:**  
Genesis 25: 21-34  
Genesis 27: 1-29



**KEY VERSE:**  
Psalm 32: 1

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Do you know any twins? Jacob, whose life we will be studying, was a twin. He and his twin brother, Esau, were the sons of Isaac and Rebekah. Sadly, it was not a happy family. Each parent had a favourite son. This led, as we will see, to problems in the home.

**Q:** Draw arrows from each of these to the correct picture.



Esau

1. Isaac's favourite.
2. The younger brother.
3. Rebekah's favourite.
4. A hunter.
5. He stayed at home.
6. The older brother.



Jacob

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Because Esau was the older brother he owned the birthright. This meant that later on he would have special privileges as the head of the family. He should have realised that the birthright was of great importance to him.

**Q:** One day, Esau came home. Fill in what happened, using YOUR OWN WORDS.

Esau said:

Give me some \_\_\_\_\_

I'm \_\_\_\_\_.

Jacob said:

Give me your \_\_\_\_\_

and then you can have some.

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Jacob craftily used this as an opportunity to get what he wanted for himself. Later on, his mother helped him to work out a plan to get even more from his brother Esau. On this second occasion, Jacob had to disguise himself as Esau to trick his blind, old father.

**Q:** Put the next part of the story in the correct order by numbering the boxes 1 to 4.  
(Look at Genesis 27: 1-25)

- She disguised Jacob as Esau by using Esau's clothes and some goat skins.
- Esau went to hunt for some wild deer for his father.
- Jacob convinced Isaac that he was Esau and received the blessing.
- Rebekah cooked two goats from the flock.

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**Q:** Circle all the words which describe how Jacob had behaved.

lied      acted fairly      truthfully      cheated

deceived his father      honestly

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Jacob would receive many things as a result of his father's blessing.

**Q:** Look up Genesis 27: 28-29 to discover what the blessing would be, then unjumble the letters.

He would always have plenty of ROCN \_ \_ \_ \_ and NWIE \_ \_ \_ \_ .

He would be so important that others would OWB \_ \_ \_ to him.

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Although Jacob was right in wanting God's blessing through his father, he was completely wrong in the way he went about getting it. It was wrong of him to deceive his father, and to cheat his brother. He was the cause of a lot of unhappiness. Jacob should have trusted in God to give him what was best for him, instead of behaving so selfishly and deceitfully.

**God also wants to bless each one of us. He wants to forgive our sins and make us His children.**

**Q:** Write out the Key Verse.


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(Some Bibles use the word 'happy' instead of 'blessed'.)

We cannot earn the blessing of forgiveness for ourselves. It is only when we trust in the Lord Jesus that God can forgive us.

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## LESSON 2: The Life of Jacob The Dreamer



**READ:**  
Genesis 27: 41-46  
Genesis 28: 10-22



**KEY VERSES:**  
Genesis 28: 16

No one likes a person who cheats, especially if it affects us personally. Jacob had cheated Esau out of both his birthright and his blessing. Now Esau felt very angry towards Jacob

**Q:** What did Esau decide to do?   /1

Rebekah found out what Esau was thinking. She knew of a safe place where Jacob could go and stay.

**Q:** Take the first letter of each picture to find out to whom and where he went.

Rebekah had a brother called 





 who lived in 






This was a long way from Jacob's home. He had never been there before. He had never met his uncle before. Besides, he did not know when it would be safe for him to return home. All his cheating and lying had got him into a lot of trouble. He was very worried about the future. That night, after he had travelled many miles, Jacob lay down to sleep in the open air.  /2

**Q:** Fill in the ladder puzzle. (Some Bibles use the word 'stairway' instead of 'ladder'.)

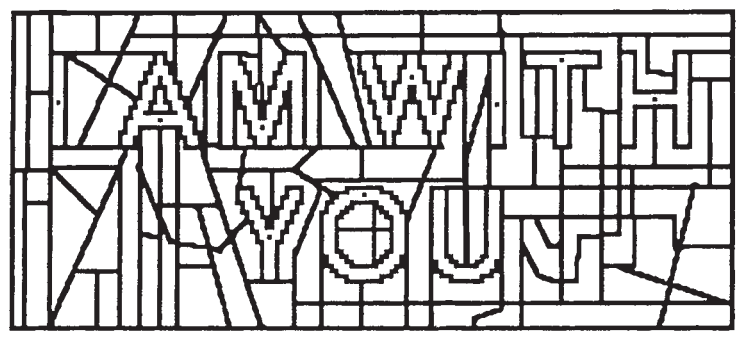
1. These were moving up and down on the ladder.
2. The ladder was resting on the .....
3. Jacob saw all this in his .....
4. Jacob rested his ..... on a stone.
5. The top of the ladder reached .....
6. Above the ladder stood the .....

1					L	
				2	E	A
				3	D	
			4		D	
				5	E	
			6		R	

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Then God spoke to Jacob and made him some amazing promises. He reminded Jacob that he would have many descendants and they would be very important. He also gave Jacob a special promise, just for himself.

**Q:** Colour each shape with a dot, to show what this promise was.



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**Q:** God was going to be with Jacob in three ways. Write these down from verse 15.

1. "I will	."
2. "I will	."
3. "I will not	."

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When Jacob awoke, he was amazed, as well as being rather frightened! The previous night he thought he was alone, but now he knew differently.

**Q:** Write out what Jacob said in the Key Verse.



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**When we trust in the Lord Jesus, we need to realise that He is always with us wherever we go. He never leaves us.**

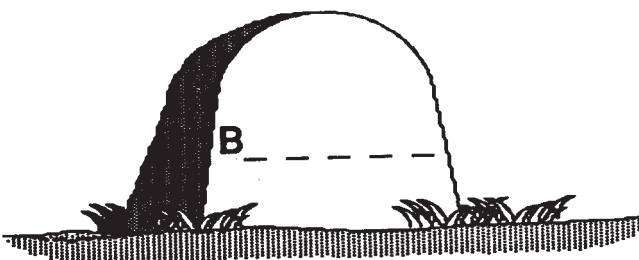
**Q:** Write out the promise from the last part of Hebrews 13: 5.

1. "I will	."
	."

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God still loved Jacob, in spite of the way he had behaved at home. God would not leave him. This reminds us of God's great love for us. We have sinned and broken God's laws, but He still loves us and wants to do great things for us, if we trust in His Son as our Saviour. The next morning Jacob set up the stone as a pillar and poured oil on it.

**Q:** Write on the stone what he named this place, and underline the correct meaning of this name. (See verses 17, 19, 22)



The Ladder of Heaven

The Place of Dreams

The House of God

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By doing this, Jacob was marking a special occasion in his life when he had learnt the important lesson that God was always with him.

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## LESSON 3: The Life of Jacob The Disappointment



**READ:**  
Genesis 29: 1-30



**KEY VERSE:**  
Galatians 6: 7

At last, Jacob arrived in Haran. His uncle Laban lived there. He stopped at a well to ask some men if they knew his uncle. Just at that very moment who came along with the sheep?

**Q:** Circle the correct answer.      Laban      Rachel      Esau

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Jacob was overjoyed that he had found one of his relatives.

**Q:** What did he do to help her?



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Later on, Laban heard the news that Jacob had arrived.

**Q:** Which verse tells us that Laban welcomed him into the family? Verse \_\_\_\_\_

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Jacob started to work for Laban. After a month, Laban decided to pay Jacob wages for his work.

**Q:** Put TRUE or FALSE after these statements:-

1. Jacob was allowed to suggest what his own wages would be.
2. Leah was the younger daughter.
3. Jacob wanted to marry Rachel.
4. He would have to work for six years before marrying Rachel.

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**Q:** Fill in the missing words in the following paragraph. (see verses 21-26)

When the time was up, Jacob asked Laban for \_\_\_\_\_. Now the time had come for Laban to trick Jacob! Laban fixed it that Jacob married \_\_\_\_\_ instead of \_\_\_\_\_. (Probably the bride had a veil over her face, so Jacob did not realise what had happened until the next day.)

**Q:** What did Jacob say to Laban the next morning?

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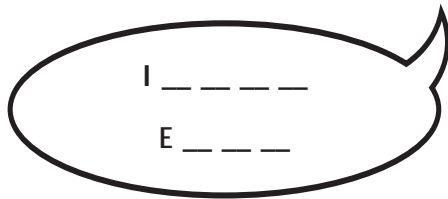
Jacob was still very much in love with Rachel. Laban allowed him to have Rachel as his second wife a week later.

**Q: What did he ask of Jacob in return for Rachel?**

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**In those days some men had more than one wife, but this was never God's plan. He always intended that a man should have only one wife. See Matthew 19: 5 and 6.**

As Jacob continued working hard for his uncle, he must often have thought about the members of his family whom he had cheated earlier in his life.



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In a strange way, life was repeating itself. But this time there was a difference! Jacob, who so often had cheated, was now himself being cheated!

Our Key Verse tells us that we cannot fool God by our sin. Although we can receive God's forgiveness for our sin and know that we will never be punished, the results of our wrong-doing can still come back to us and cause problems later on in our lives.

**Q: Write out the Key Verse.**


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**Q: Fill in the missing words.**

The farmer sows wheat seeds.  
Later on he harvests a crop of \_\_\_\_\_.



Jacob had sown 'seeds' of trickery and deceit.  
Later on Jacob harvested in his life a 'crop' of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

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As you grow up, always remember that life is like 'sowing' and 'reaping'. What we say and do now will have an effect on our future. This is specially true of our attitude to the Lord Jesus. Trust Him, and you will be saved forever! Reject Him and you will be lost!

**Do think carefully about your response to Him.**

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## LESSON 4: The Life of Jacob The Discovery



**READ:**  
Genesis 32: 1-21  
Genesis 33: 1-11



**KEY VERSE:**  
1 John 1: 9

Twenty years had passed and even though life had been hard for Jacob, he had become very wealthy. He now had a large family. God had been with him as He had promised at Bethel. In fact, He had made Jacob so successful that Laban was beginning to get jealous! God had not forgotten Jacob and now it was time to show Jacob the next part of His plan.

**Q:** Look at Genesis 31: 3 and write in the signpost God's instructions to Jacob.



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How do you feel about going home after a holiday? Although most people enjoy being away, they are glad to get back and see their family and friends again. But how do you think Jacob felt about going home after 20 years? There would be changes. Most of all, he was worried in case his brother Esau was still planning to kill him.

Jacob decided to send messengers to find out exactly how Esau was thinking. They came back with the news that Esau and his men were already on their way to meet Jacob.

**Q:** Write in the box how many men were in Esau's 'army'.

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**Q:** How did Jacob feel about this? Tick the correct answers.

happy  fearful  glad  distressed   /2

**Q:** Write briefly IN YOUR OWN WORDS the three things that Jacob did before meeting Esau.

1. Chapter 32: 7
2. Chapter 32: 9-12
3. Chapter 32: 13

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# Level 3

**Q:** In this Word Puzzle circle the animals mentioned in the Bible Reading,

→ J S M A R A D  
C C O B S E O  
G O A T S N N  
T B T M H I K  
S U L A E R E  
G L E G W L Y  
I L F T E T S  
O S E S S A U

They are written forwards, backwards, up, down and diagonally.

Rams Donkeys Camels Ewes Bulls Goats

Start at the arrow and write all the remaining letters making a sentence explaining what these animals were for.

J \_\_\_\_\_  /6

\_\_\_\_\_

Jacob sent the gifts on ahead.

**Q:** Write IN YOUR OWN WORDS why he did this. (See verse 20)


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Try to imagine Esau's surprise as he met herd after herd of animals and was told they were all for him! Finally the moment came when the two brothers met face to face.

**Q:** Which verse in chapter 33 tells us that Esau was glad to see Jacob and that he had forgiven him for the wrong he had done to him, about 20 years earlier?

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Verse:- \_\_\_\_\_

Jacob was very relieved that his brother had accepted him.

**Q:** Shade the correct words which Jacob said about God's goodness.

I won all these animals in a war.

I've been very lucky in my life.

God has been good to me and given me everything I need.

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Jacob must have been happy to know that his brother Esau had forgiven him. God had forgiven him too! We, also, can know God's forgiveness in our lives. We cannot earn it by bringing anything to God, but, rather, it is offered to us freely. The Lord Jesus has died so that our sins can be forgiven.

**Q:** Write out the Key Verse and discover what we have to do to receive His forgiveness.


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LESSON 3: \_\_\_\_\_

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