

GENESIS 30:35- 31:55

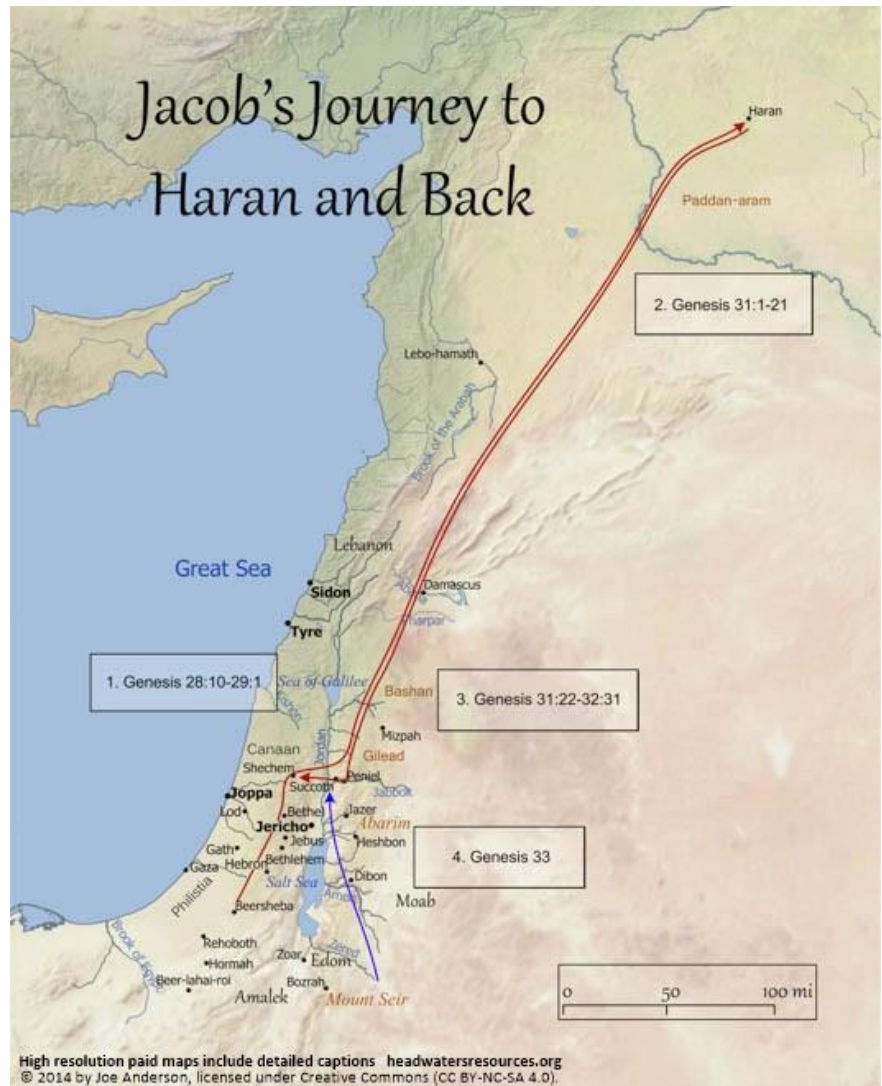
JACOB: THE EXODUS: A PREVIEW

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GOD'S BLESSING AND PROMISE

Then Isaac called Jacob and blessed him and directed him, "You must not take a wife from the Canaanite women. Arise, go to Paddan-aram to the house of Bethuel your mother's father, and take as your wife from there one of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother. God Almighty **bless you** and make you fruitful and **multiply you**, that you may **become a company of peoples**. May he give the blessing of Abraham to you and to your offspring with you, that you may **take possession of the land** of your sojournings that God gave to Abraham!" (Genesis 28:1-4)

And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. **The land** on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. **Your offspring** shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. **Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land.** For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." (Genesis 28:13-15)



ALWAYS WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES

THE LORD BLESSES AND BRINGS INCREASE FOR HIS PURPOSES

- HIS WORK CAN BE SEEN CLEARLY THROUGH EYES OF FAITH
- HIS WORK WILL BE A BENEFIT EVEN TO THE PAGAN
- HIS WORK WILL BE SEEN THROUGH THE HONEST WORK OF HIS PEOPLE

THE LORD WORKS THROUGH THE ORDINARY AND MIRACULOUS

- HE WORKS THROUGH THE NATURAL COURSE OF THE WORLD
- HE WORKS IN SPITE OF THE SELFISH COURSE OF MAN'S SIN
- HE WORKS THROUGH SPECIAL REVELATION OF HIS PLANS AND PROMISES

ALWAYS WORKING TO FULFILL HIS PROMISES AND PURPOSES

GOD ALWAYS REMEMBERS HIS PROMISES AND HIS PROMISED ONES

- GOD DOES NOT GIVE BLESSINGS FOR BLESSINGS' SAKE
- GOD'S PRESENCE IS HIS MOST PRECIOUS PROMISE
- GOD'S INTERVENTION IS ALWAYS TO KEEP HIS PROMISES

GOD BLESSED JACOB TO COMPLETE HIS PURPOSES

- OF A COMPANY OF PEOPLES - SET APART FOR HIM
- OF A PROMISED LAND - SEPARATE AND BLESSED

ALWAYS WORKING TO DISCIPLINE HIS PEOPLE

GOD WAS WORKING TO ESTABLISH JACOB AND HIS PEOPLE AS A PEOPLE OF FAITH

- WHO LOOKED TO HIM AND HIM ONLY
- WHO SAW CLEARLY HIS WORKING IN THEM AND FOR THEM
- WHO WOULD DECLARE HIS WORTH AND WORSHIP HIM ONLY

GOD WAS WORKING TO ESTABLISH JACOB AND HIS PEOPLE AS TROPHIES OF GRACE

- WHO COULD NOT POINT TO THEIR OWN RIGHTEOUSNESS
- WHO COULD NOT POINT TO THEIR OWN WORTHINESS
- WHO WOULD BE VINDICATED BY THE RIGHTEOUS GOD

GOD'S DESIGN IS FOR HIS PEOPLE TO CALL UPON HIS NAME ... TO DECLARE HIS GLORY

ALWAYS WORKING TO DISPLAY HIS UNIQUENESS

GOD IS NOT A GENERIC GOD- HE IS UNIQUE AND HOLY

GOD IS NOT A HISTORIC GOD- HE IS PRESENT AND PRESENT-DAY

GOD IS NOT AN IMPERSONAL GOD- HE IS PERSONAL AND PROMISE KEEPING

ALWAYS WORKING HIS PLAN OF REDEMPTION

GOD'S KINGDOM IS MADE UP OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN GOD'S PLACE UNDER GOD'S RULE AND BLESSING

ALL THROUGH GOD'S WORK AND POWER.

THIS PLAN IS SHOWN IN PART THROUGH JACOB, THEN THROUGH ISRAEL, AND FULFILLED IN JESUS.

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