

Men & Women of the Bible: *Laban*

Lesson Twenty-two: *Laban, A Deceitful Father-in-law*

Lesson Text: Genesis 29:1-35

Lesson Aim: Learn important lessons for life from the experiences of Laban.

Memory Verse: Genesis 31:7

Lesson Readings

Genesis 24:29-31,50-60; 27:43; 28:2,5; 29:1-31:55

Fact Questions

1. Who is Laban the Syrian? What does his name mean? (Genesis 28:5)
2. How came Laban and Jacob to be acquainted? (Genesis 29:1-14)
3. Who were Laban's daughters? (Genesis 29:16)
4. When was the first time that Laban deceived Jacob? (Genesis 29:18-28)
5. How many years did Jacob serve Laban for Rachel? For Leah? (Genesis 29:20,27)
6. How did Laban seek to deceive Jacob a second time? (Genesis 30:28-32; 31:7)
7. How did God make Jacob a wealthy man at Laban's expense? (Genesis 30:27-31:12)
8. What was the attitude of Rachel and Leah toward Laban? (Genesis 31:14-16)
9. Why did Jacob seek to leave Padan-Aram secretly? (Genesis 31:31) Was Jacob justified in his thinking?
10. When Laban and Jacob parted what did they swear to each other? (Genesis 31:43-55)

Thought Questions

1. What kind of believer in God was Laban? (Genesis 24:30,53; 30:27; 31:30)
2. What was the sin that caused Laban to ultimately lose his family?
3. Do you think that Laban learned his lesson at Gilead?
4. How did Jacob's experience with Laban prove to be a good thing for him?
5. What is the one great lesson in Laban's life for you?