

## Timeline of Truth – Jacob Is Sent Away, and God Meets Him (Gen 27:41—28:22)

<p><sup>41</sup> So Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father blessed him, and Esau said in his heart, "The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then I will kill my brother Jacob."</p>	<p><b>1. Esau <u>Hates</u> Jacob, and <u>Plans</u> to Kill Him</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Esau's hatred</i></li> <li>• <i>Esau's plan</i></li> </ul>
<p><sup>42</sup> And the words of Esau her older son were told to Rebekah. So she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said to him, "Surely your brother Esau comforts himself concerning you <i>by intending</i> to kill you."  <sup>43</sup> "Now therefore, my son, obey my voice: arise, flee to my brother Laban in Haran."  <sup>44</sup> "And stay with him a few days, until your brother's fury turns away,"  <sup>45</sup> "until your brother's anger turns away from you, and he forgets what you have done to him; then I will send and bring you from there. Why should I be bereaved also of you both in one day?"</p>	<p><b>2. Rebekah <u>Warns</u> and <u>Instructs</u> Jacob</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Rebekah hears about Esau's plans</i></li> <li>• <i>Rebekah warns Jacob of Esau's plans</i></li> <li>• <i>Rebekah instructs Jacob to flee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Flee to Laban in Haran</li> <li>○ Stay a few days</li> <li>○ Until your brother's anger turns away</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Rebekah's reason: losing BOTH sons</i></li> </ul>
<p><sup>46</sup> And Rebekah said to Isaac, "I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth; if Jacob takes a wife of the daughters of Heth, like these <i>who are</i> the daughters of the land, what good will my life be to me?"</p>	<p><b>3. Rebekah <u>Prompts</u> Isaac to Send Jacob Away</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Rebekah tells her worries about daughters of Heth</i></li> <li>• <i>Rebekah expresses worry over Jacob's choices for wife</i></li> </ul>
<p><sup>1</sup> Then Isaac called Jacob and blessed him, and charged him, and said to him: "You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan."  <sup>2</sup> "Arise, go to Padan Aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's father; and take yourself a wife from there of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother."  <sup>3</sup> "May God Almighty bless you, And make you fruitful and multiply you, That you may be an assembly of peoples;  <sup>4</sup> And give you the blessing of Abraham, To you and your descendants with you, That you may inherit the land In which you are a stranger, Which God gave to Abraham."  <sup>5</sup> So Isaac sent Jacob away, and he went to Padan Aram, to Laban the son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, the mother of Jacob and Esau.</p>	<p><b>4. Isaac <u>Blesses</u> Jacob, and <u>Sends</u> Him Away</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Commands Jacob not to take a wife from Canaan</i></li> <li>• <i>Commands Jacob to take a wife from Laban's family</i></li> <li>• <i>Blesses Jacob:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SEED: Be fruitful and multiply</li> <li>○ LAND: The blessing of Abraham</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><sup>6</sup> Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob and sent him away to Padan Aram to take himself a wife from there, <i>and that</i> as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, "You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan,"  <sup>7</sup> and that Jacob had obeyed his father and his mother and had gone to Padan Aram.  <sup>8</sup> Also Esau saw that the daughters of Canaan did not please his father Isaac.  <sup>9</sup> So Esau went to Ishmael and took Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael, Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife in addition to the wives he had.</p>	<p><b>5. Esau Reacts to Isaac's <u>Blessing</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Saw that Isaac blessed Jacob</i></li> <li>• <i>Heard that Isaac told Jacob not to marry a local wife</i></li> <li>• <i>Saw that Jacob obeyed his parents</i></li> <li>• <i>Saw that Isaac was not pleased with Canaan women</i></li> <li>• <i>Married a local woman (3rd wife... 26:34-35)</i></li> </ul>
<p><sup>10</sup> Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went toward Haran.  <sup>11</sup> So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep.</p>	<p><b>6. Jacob Heads to <u>Haran</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Jacob leaves Beersheba</i></li> <li>• <i>Jacob heads toward Haran</i></li> <li>• <i>Jacob camps out for the night</i></li> </ul>
<p><sup>12</sup> Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder <i>was</i> set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.</p>	<p><b>7. Jacob Dreams About a <u>Ladder</u> to <u>Heaven</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ladder from earth to heaven</i></li> <li>• <i>Angels ascending and descending</i></li> </ul>

13 And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: "I *am* the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants.  
 14 "Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed.  
 15 "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 spoken to you."

- 8. God Speaks to Jacob in His Dream**
- *Identification: The God of Abraham & Isaac*
  - *LAND: To you and your descendants (13)*
  - *SEED: Your descendants will be as the dust (14a)*
  - *BLESSING: All the families of the earth (14b)*
  - *Presence: I am with you and will be with you (15a)*
  - *Promise: I will bring you back*

16 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know *it*."  
 17 And he was afraid and said, "How awesome *is* this place! This *is* none other than the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven!"  
 18 Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it.  
 19 And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously.

- 9. Jacob Responds to the Dream**
- *The LORD is in this place*
  - *The house of God, and the gate of heaven*
  - *Set up the stone as a pillar & poured oil on it*
  - *Named the place Bethel (formerly Luz)*

20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on,  
 21 "so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God.  
 22 "And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."

- 10. Jacob Makes a Vow to God**
- *IF*
    - *Presence: God will be with me*
    - *Protection: God will keep me in this way*
    - *Provision: God will give me food and clothing*
    - *Promise: God will return me in peace*
  - *THEN*
    - *Special Place*
    - *Tithe of Everything*

