

Monday (June 2 <sup>nd</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 30:25-43</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What does this passage show about polygamy? Does Jacob's possession of several wives provide an example of a warning concerning right ideals for marriage?</li> </ol>
Tuesday (June 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 31:1-55</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To what extent is Jacob the deceiver now a changed man? See 31:6, 38-42. What evidence is there that he has come to a deeper knowledge of God? See 31:3-13, 42.</li> <li>2. What factors combined to make Jacob sure that God's time for him to return to Canaan had come? How was the inevitable opposition of Laban overcome? What may I learn for my own encouragement from such a record?</li> </ol>
Wednesday (June 4 <sup>th</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 32:1-21</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is good, and what is defective in Jacob's prayer in verses 9-12? Was he relying most upon God, or upon his own resourcefulness? If the former, ought he to have been so greatly afraid (verse 7)? See also Mark 4:40; 5:36.</li> </ol>
Thursday (June 5 <sup>th</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 32:22-32</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is suggested by the picture of wrestling with God? How far does God bless us only when we echo Jacob's prayer in verse 26? What are the cost and the reward of such a prayer?</li> <li>2. Did Jacob prevail by his own strength, or by faith? Hosea 12:3, 4a.</li> <li>3. How persistent are you to seek out what God is blessing through your life? When you examine your prayer requests, do you find your requests to be mostly God-centred, other-centred, or self-centred?</li> </ol>
Friday (June 6 <sup>th</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 33:1-20</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the importance of the title which Jacob gives to God in verse 20? How has he named Him previously? See 31:5, 42, 53; 32:9; Psalm 63:1.</li> <li>2. In the story of this chapter how far did Jacob live up to his new name Israel? Is it significant that he is still called by the old name? Recall the terms of his vow in 28:22. How far does our behavior match our Christian profession and express our new nature? See Rom. 7:20, 24, 25a.</li> </ol>

Saturday (June 7 <sup>th</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Genesis 34:1-31</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In this sordid story, which appears the more honorable, Shechem and his father, or the sons of Jacob? How contrary 1Peter 2:12; 4:15! See also 1 Cor. 10:12.</li> <li>2. What evidence is there that Jacob left everything to his sons, instead of taking action himself as the head of the family? When he did finally rebuke them, about what was he chiefly concerned? What considerations ought to have moved him to think, speak or act differently?</li> </ol>
Sunday (June 8 <sup>th</sup> )	<p><b><u>Scripture: Psalm 54</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What may we learn from Psalm 54 of (a) the severity of faith's trial; (b) the ground of faith's confidence; (c) faith's assurance of triumph?</li> </ol>

Acknowledgement: Alan M. Stibbs (General Editor),  
Search the Scriptures, was used as a guide to prepare the above devotions.