

Search For Truth #14 Study Guide – May 13, 2026
Promise: Jacob's Dream/ A New Man – Israel
Genesis 28:10 – 33:20;35

Genesis 28

1. Look into this journey Jacob is making. How many miles would Jacob have to travel leaving his father's home in Beersheba to go to his Uncle Laban in Haran? What are your thoughts about this journey?
2. What does the word "dreadful" in Gen 28:17 actually mean?
3. What do the scriptures say about making a vow to God?

Genesis 29 -30

1. While the Bible does not explicitly say, we can calculate Jacob's approximate age when meeting Rachel by using the ages in these key events in the scriptures:
 - a) Backtrack from Jacob's age when he appeared before Pharaoh in Genesis 47:9
 - b) The age of Joseph in Genesis 41:46-47 plus the 7 years of plenty plus 2 years of famine
 - c) Jacob's years of service to Laban for Rachel and Leah in Genesis chapters 29-31
 - d) Jacob flees Esau and meets Rachel.
 - e) Calculate (a) – (b) – (c) = (d) (Jacob's age upon arrival/meeting Rachel)
2. How many sons are born to Jacob in Genesis chapters 29 & 30? Who bares those sons?

Genesis 32 – 33

1. What is the significance of the name change here in Genesis 32:28 (Genesis 35:10) from Jacob to Israel?
2. How does one "prevail" with God?