

Bible History Puzzle 25

Jacob stayed with his uncle L_____ for many years. He worked very hard for all those years. First he worked s_____ years so that he could marry Laban's daughter R_____. But Laban gave him L_____ instead! Then he worked another seven years and he married Rachel too. Finally, after he was rich, with many cows and sheep, the Lord told him that he could go back to his country.

At first, Laban came after him because he had left without telling him. He accused them of stealing his idols, but they couldn't find them in the tents. It was Rachel who was hiding them, but she s_____ on the camel's saddle that they were in so that they were not found.

Jacob went on, but he thought more and more about Esau. Would Esau have forgotten that he had deceived him? Jacob became afraid! To make matters worse, his servant came to tell him that Esau was coming with 400 s_____. Oh, Jacob didn't know what he should do. Who could help him? Only the Lord! Jacob knew that, but would the Lord help him yet?

Jacob called some of his servants. They separated out a large group of cows, sheep, donkeys, and camels to bring to Esau as a g_____. Maybe Esau will still be good to me, Jacob thought. But he was still afraid.

At night, Jacob could not s_____. All alone in the dark night, Jacob prayed to the Lord, Who alone could help him. The Lord saw and heard Jacob praying and He came to him. Jacob wanted that everything would be made

better between E_____ and himself, but the Lord wanted to first make everything well between Jacob and Himself, because the deceit had first of all been a great s_____ against the Lord!

Jacob remembered what his name meant: deceiver. He was so ashamed before the Lord. He had been so sinful. That night Jacob grieved because of his sin. But as Jacob's h_____ was full of grief for his sin, the Lord forgave him! This is how much the Lord l_____ Jacob. Oh, Jacob was so glad.

When the sun came up, he came back by the tents. Not long after that, they met Esau. Jacob went to him. Would he be killed? No, Esau was glad to see Jacob and he k_____ him.

"What are all these cows and sheep, Jacob?" he asked.

And Jacob said, "I received them from the Lord."

"You keep them," Esau said. "I have plenty."

But Jacob said, "I have everything, take the gift." It was true. Jacob had the Lord and His forgiveness, and so he had everything.

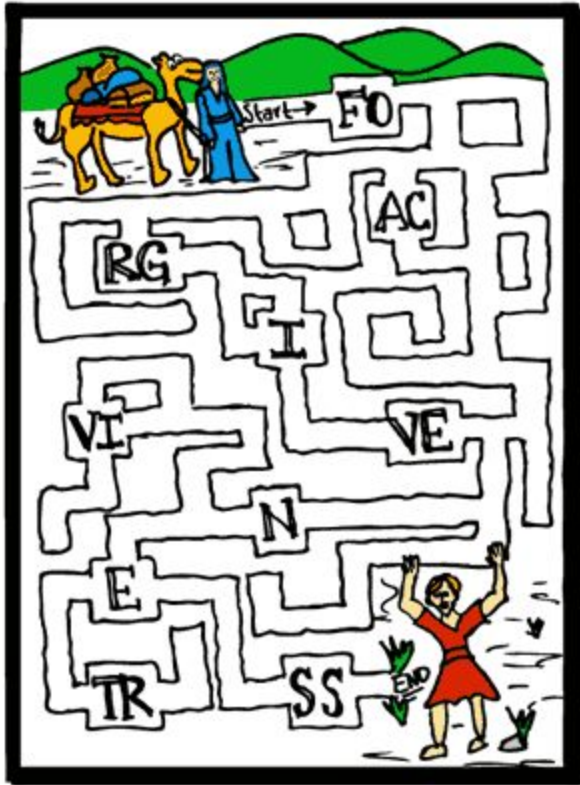
"I will bring you h_____ safely, Jacob," Esau said. "These soldiers will protect us on the way back."

But Jacob said, "No, you go ahead, Esau. The little lambs and calves cannot w_____ as quickly as your camels." He also had the Lord to protect him.

Esau went ahead and many days later, Jacob arrived back in Bethel. Here he made an offering to the Lord, Who had protected him and more importantly, Who had f_____ him. How rich Jacob was!

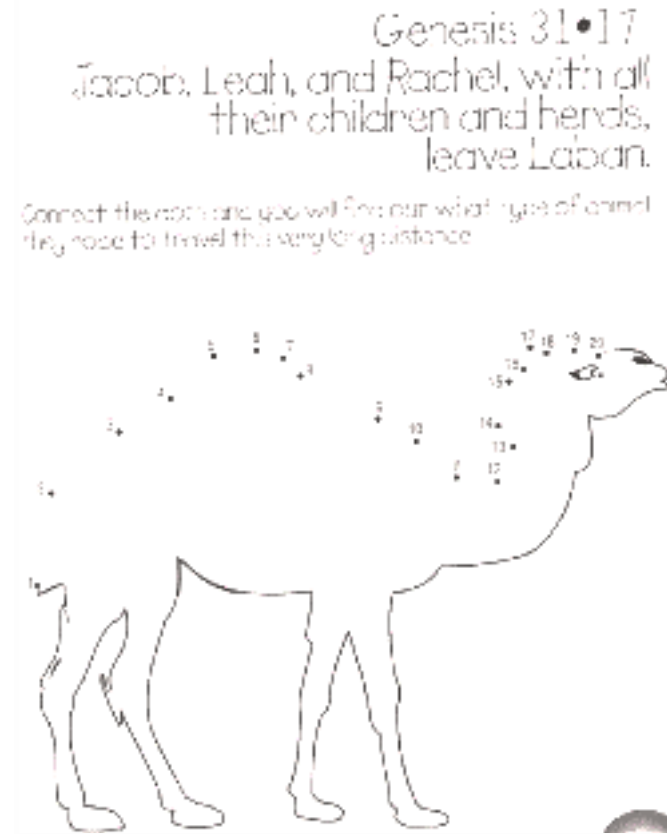
Esau Greet Jacob

After 21 years, God told Jacob to return home. Jacob was afraid his brother might still want to kill him. Follow the maze to find Esau's gift to Jacob.



Fill in the blanks:

Proverbs 17 - He that covereth a _____
seeketh _____.



Ephesians 4 - And be ye _____ one to another, tenderhearted, _____ one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Luke 6 - Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: _____, and ye shall be forgiven