



Trinity Lutheran Church 2016-2017

Lesson 1 – Jacob's Family

Genesis 29:1–30:24

Key Point

Through Jacob's family, God brought forth the Savior, Jesus Christ, who endured lies, deception, and the schemes of sinful humankind to work our salvation on the cross.

Law/Gospel Points

I sin when I lie to and deceive others. **In spite of my sin, God blesses me with all that I need, including my family.** Because of sin, I suffer the lies and deceitful actions of family, friends, and others. **Jesus suffered lies and deception for me on the cross to work out my salvation.** I sin when I do not trust God and His good plan for me. **Through His Son, God accomplishes His gracious and loving plan for my life.**

Connections

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

Faith Words

Baptism, Blessing, Covenant, Eternal, Repent

Question

How did you choose your parents? Did you have any choice in what year you were born? How did you decide where you would be born? How many of you are the firstborn child in your family?

In Bible times, the firstborn male held a very special place in the family. He inherited a double portion of the family wealth and received the responsibility of being the head of the family. This was his birthright. Special honor was given to him simply because he was born first. **Blessing** is another one of our faith words today. What are some different ways the word *blessing* is used today?

Pray

We thank you, Lord God, for all of the blessings You give to us freely each day—blessings that are too numerous to count. We especially thank You today for the gift of Your Word, which reveals to us that You are a good and gracious God who does not deal with us as we deserve but showers us with love, forgiveness, and salvation through Your Son, Jesus. In His name we pray. Amen.

God's Plan

Directions: Use the clues to fill in the correct word; then use the letters in the circles to answer the question at the bottom.

1. Number of Jacob's sons: _____ ○ _____
2. What can separate us from God's love:
_____ ○ _____
3. Jacob's older brother: ○ _____
4. The one who cared for Jacob: ○ _____
5. What causes broken relationships: ○ _____
6. What Jacob stole from his brother:
_____ ○ _____
7. Jacob worked seven years to make Rachel this:
_____ ○ _____
8. Uncle who tricked Jacob: _____ ○ _____
9. The wife Jacob loved more: ○ _____
10. Jacob's father: ○ _____
11. Jacob and Rachel's first son: _____ ○ _____

One of God's gifts to me through faith:

7 2 9 4 10 1 6 8 3 5 11

Answers

1. TWELVE
2. NOTHING
3. ESAU
4. GOD
5. SIN
6. BLESSING
7. WIFE
8. LABAN
9. RACHEL
10. ISAAC
11. JOSEPH