

## Parsha Vayetze Genesis 31:1 - 3

1 Now Jacob heard the words Laban's sons were saying, "Jacob has taken everything that belongs to our father, and from what belongs to our father he has made all these riches."

2 Then Jacob saw Laban's face, and he noticed that his expression wasn't the same as it was just a day or two before.

3 Then Yah said to Jacob, "Return to the land of your fathers and to your relatives, and *I will be with you.*"

## Genesis 31:4 - 7

4 So Jacob sent and called for Rachel and Leah to come to the field, to his flock.

5 He said to them, “I can see by your father’s face that his expression isn’t the same as it was just a day or two ago. But the God of my father has been with me.

6 Now you yourselves know that I’ve served your father with all my strength.

7 Yet your father has fooled around with me and has changed my salary ten times—but Yah hasn’t allowed him to harm me.

## Genesis 31:8 - 9

8 If he would say, 'the spotted ones will be your salary,' then the flocks would give birth to spotted ones. Or if he would say, 'the striped ones will be your salary,' then all the flocks would give birth to striped ones.

9 So Yah has taken away your father's livestock and has given them to me.

## Parsha Vayishlach      Genesis 32:10 - 13

10 Then Jacob said, “O Elohim of my father Abraham, and Elohim of my father Isaac, Yah, who said to me, ‘Return to your land and to your relatives and I will do good with you.’

11 I am unworthy of all the proofs of mercy and of all the dependability that you have shown to your servant. For with only my staff I crossed over this Jordan, and now I’ve become two camps.

12 Deliver me, please, from my brother’s hand, from Esau’s hand, for I’m afraid of him that he’ll come and strike me—the mothers with the children.

13 You Yourself said, ‘I will most certainly do good with you, and will make your seed like the sand of the sea that cannot be counted because of its abundance.’”

## Genesis 32:25 - 28

25 So Jacob remained all by himself. Then a man wrestled with him until the break of dawn.

26 When He saw that He had not overcome him, He struck the socket of his hip, so He dislocated the socket of Jacob's hip when He wrestled with him.

27 Then He said, "Let Me go, for the dawn has broken."

But he said, "I won't let You go unless You bless me."

28 Then He said to him, "What is your name?"

"Jacob," he said.

## Genesis 32:29 - 32

29 Then He said, “Your name will no longer be Jacob, but rather Israel, for you have struggled with Yah and with men, and you have overcome.”

30 Then Jacob asked and said, “Please tell me Your name.”

But He said, “What’s this—you are asking My name?” Then He blessed him there.

31 So Jacob named the place Peniel, “for I’ve seen Yah face to face, and my life has been spared.”

32 Now the sun rose upon him just as he crossed by Peniel—limping because of his hip.

## Genesis 33:1 - 4

Then Jacob glanced up and saw, behold, there was Esau coming—and 400 men with him. So he divided the children among Leah, Rachel and the two female servants.

2 He put the female servants and their children first, then Leah and her children behind them, then Rachel and Joseph behind them.

3 But he himself passed on ahead of them, and bowed to the ground seven times until he came near to his brother.

4 But Esau ran to meet him, hugged him, fell on his neck and kissed him—and they wept.

## Genesis 35:1 - 4

1 Now Dinah, Leah's daughter whom she bore for Jacob, went out to look at the daughters of the land.

2 When Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her, he took her and lay with her and raped her.

3 But his soul clung to Dinah, Jacob's daughter, and he loved the young woman and spoke reassuringly to the young woman.

4 So Shechem said to his father Hamor saying, "Get me this girl for a wife."



## Silence is not the answer

- Jacob remained silent when he should have spoken up and taken control of the situation (v. 5)
- The brothers hashed out a plan of revenge without engaging their father first
- They readily deceived the offender and easily defeated the entire camp, plundered their goods and took captives of their people
- Caused Jacob to worry about all others around them coming out to destroy them
- Caused Jacob to curse and not bless Simeon and Levi (PVayechi)

# Parsha Vayechi - Jacob upon his deathbed

## Genesis 49

5 Simeon and Levi are brothers, instruments of violence are their knives.

6 In their secret counsel may my soul not enter. In their contingent may my honor never be united. For in their anger they slew men, and in their self-will they maimed oxen.

7 Cursed be their anger for it was strong and their rage for it was cruel— I will disperse them in Jacob, I will scatter them in Israel.

# Levites Stand For YAH

Exodus 32:

26 Then Moshe stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the Lord's side? let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.

27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.

28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

# Levites Redeemed By The Heavenly Father

## Deuteronomy 10

8 At that time Elohim set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of Yah, to stand before Elohim to minister and to pronounce blessings in his name, as they still do today.

9 That is why the Levites have no share or inheritance among their fellow Israelites; Yah is their inheritance, as Yah your Elohim told them.)

## Genesis 35:1 - 3

1 Then Yah said to Jacob, “Get up! Go up to Beth-El and stay there. Make an altar there to the Elohim who appeared to you when you fled from your brother Esau.”

2 So Jacob said to his household and to everyone who was with him, “Get rid of the foreign gods that are among you. Cleanse yourselves and change your clothes.

3 Now let’s get up and go up to Beth-El so that I can make an altar there to Yah, who answered me in the day of my distress, and has been with me in the way that I have gone.”

## Parsha Toledot     Genesis 27:41

41 So Esau bore a grudge against Jacob because of the blessing with which his father had blessed him, and Esau said in his heart, “Let the time for mourning my father draw near, so that I can kill my brother Jacob!”

## Parsha Vayetze Genesis 28:10 - 13

10 Then Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran.

11 He happened upon a certain place and spent the night there, for the sun had set. So he took one of the stones from the place and put it by his head and lay down in that place.

12 He dreamed: All of a sudden, there was a stairway set up on the earth and its top reaching to the heavens—and behold, angels of Yah going up and down on it!

13 Surprisingly, Yah was standing on top of it and He said, “I am Yah, the Elohim of your father Abraham and the Elohim of Isaac. The land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your seed.

## Genesis 35:4 - 7

4 So they gave Jacob all the foreign gods in their hand and the rings in their ears, and Jacob hid them under the oak tree near Shechem.

5 Then they journeyed, and the terror of Yah was on the cities that were around them, so they did not pursue Jacob's sons.

6 Then Jacob arrived at Luz in the land of Canaan (that is Beth-El), he and all the people who were with him.

7 He built an altar there and called the place El-Beth-El because God had revealed Himself to him there when he fled from the presence of his brother.



Yah was with Jacob

## Psalm 46

2 Yah is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

3 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth change, though the mountains topple into the heart of the seas,

4 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains quake at their swelling.

Selah

## Matthew 28

16 Now the eleven disciples went to the Galilee, to the mountain Yeshua had designated.

17 When they saw Him, they worshiped; but some wavered.

18 And Yeshua came up to them and spoke to them, saying, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, immersing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Ruach ha-Kodesh,  
20 teaching them to observe all I have commanded you. And remember! ***I am with you always, even to the end of the age.***”

## Acts 2

38 Peter said to them, “Repent, and let each of you be immersed in the name of Messiah Yeshua for the removal of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Ruach ha-Kodesh.

39 For the promise is for you and your children, and for all who are far away—as many as Yah our Elohim calls to Himself.”



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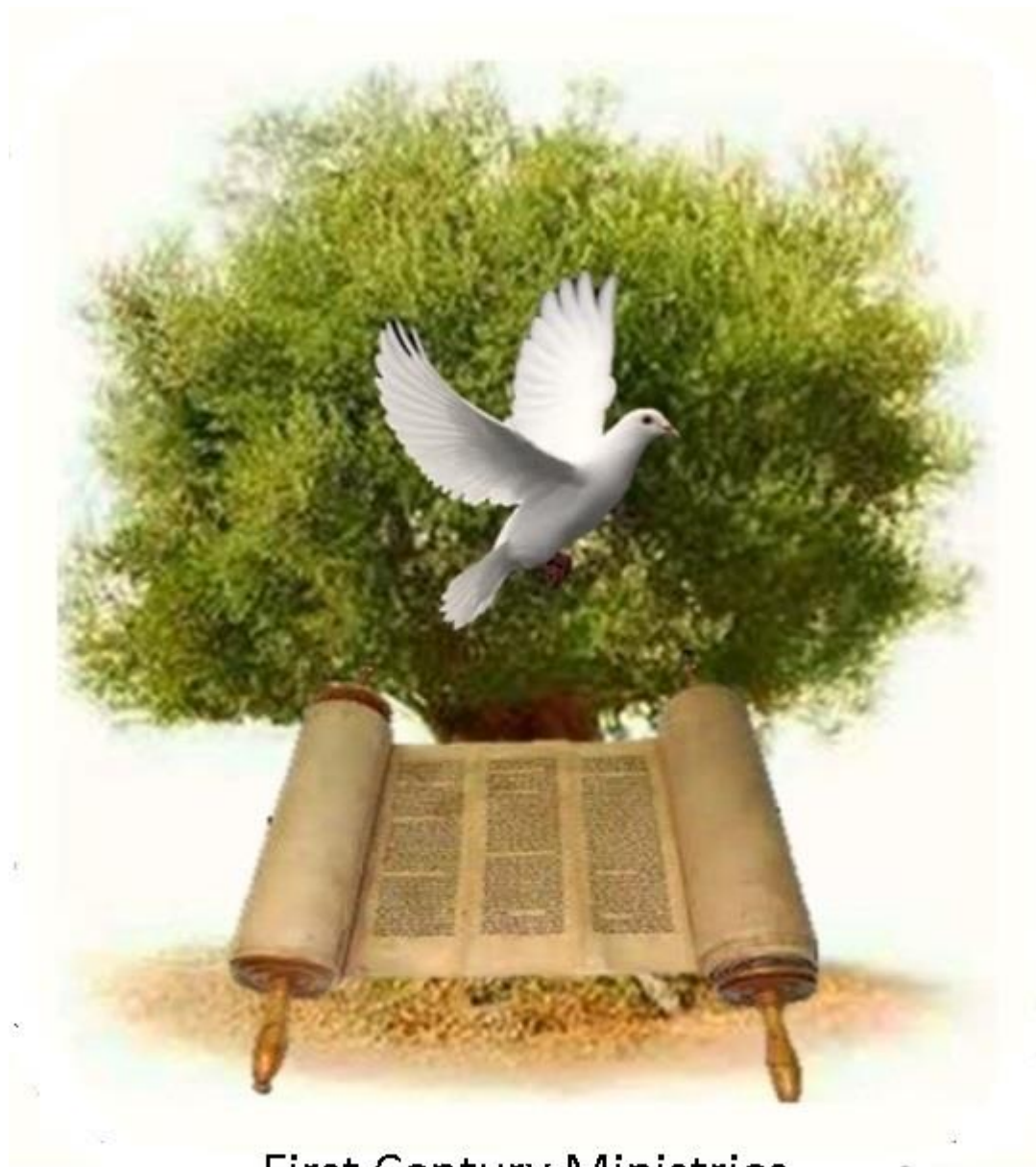
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# Parashah Vayeshev Aliyah or Reading

וַיֵּשֶׁב – And he dwelt

Genesis 37:1 – 40:23

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| • 1 <sup>st</sup> Day | Genesis 37:1 – 11  | Haftarah            |
| • 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day | Genesis 37:12 - 22 | Zechariah 2:14 - 47 |
| • 3 <sup>rd</sup> Day | Genesis 37:23 - 36 |                     |
| • 4 <sup>th</sup> Day | Genesis 38:1 - 30  |                     |
| • 5 <sup>th</sup> Day | Genesis 39:1 – 6   | Gospels             |
| • 6 <sup>th</sup> Day | Genesis 39:7 – 23  | John 10:22 - 28     |
| • 7 <sup>th</sup> Day | Genesis 40:1 - 23  |                     |



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