



THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF

Jacob

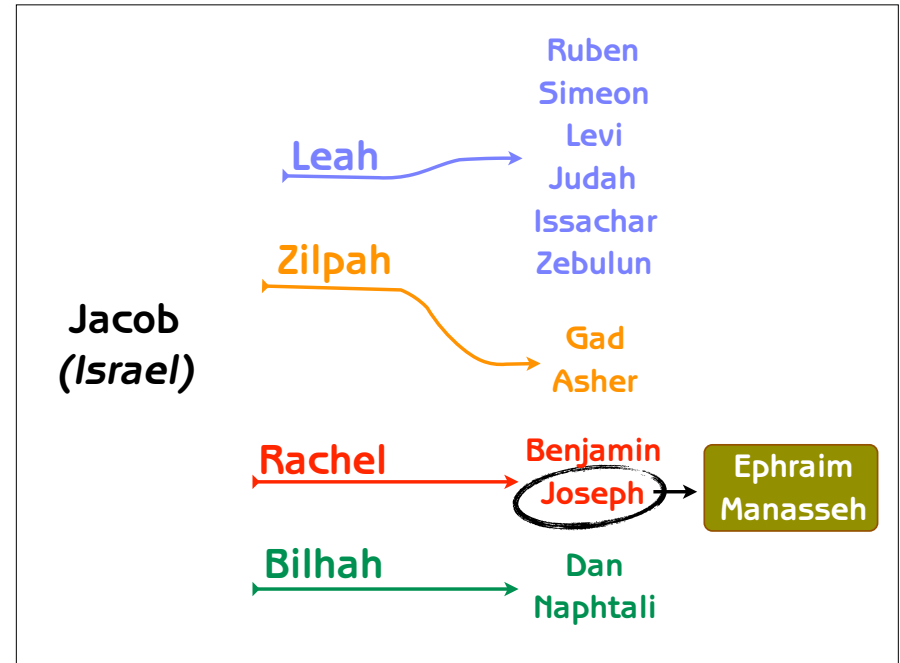
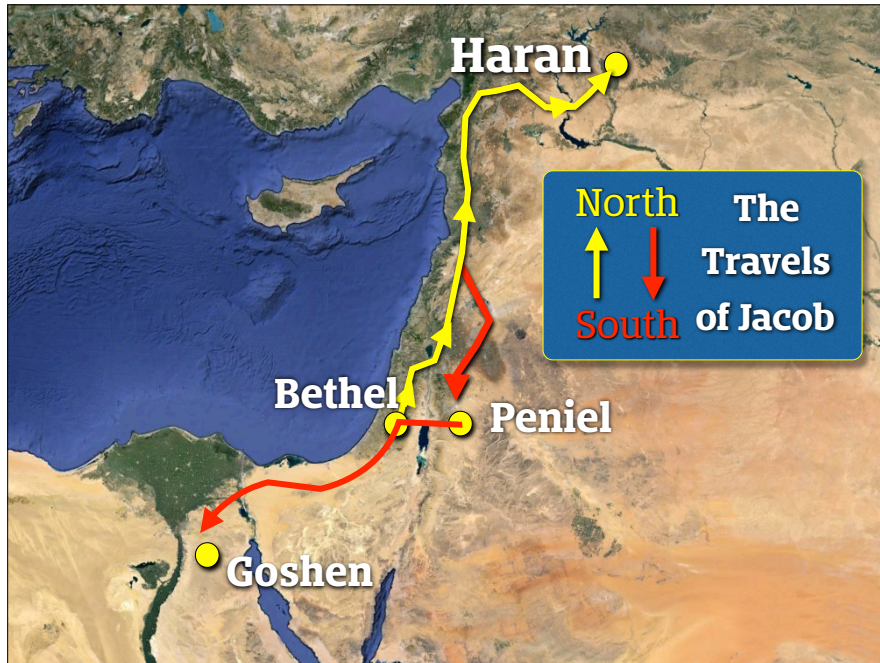
A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE

Hebrews 11:21 &
Genesis 48:1-5; 13-19

By faith Jacob, when he was
dying, blessed each of Joseph's
sons, and worshiped as he leaned
on the top of his staff.

-Hebrews 11:21





Lessons from Jacob to Us

1. Grace changes the way Jacob viewed life.

Lessons from Jacob to Us

1. Grace changes the way Jacob viewed life.

a. Jacob describes God as having been his shepherd.

"A sheep that ventures from the watchful eye of the shepherd is bound for trouble. As dependent as they are on a watchful shepherd, I seriously doubt that sheep realize their dependence on the shepherd"

- Tracey Allred

www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2622



Lessons from Jacob to Us

1. Grace changes the way Jacob viewed life.

a. Jacob describes God as having been his shepherd.

THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF
Jacob
A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE

Lessons from Jacob to Us

1. Grace changes the way Jacob viewed life.

b. Jacob reflects on how "The Angel" intervened to save him.

THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF
Jacob
A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE

"⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

-Romans 5:6&8



Lessons from Jacob to Us

2. Grace changes the way Jacob lived life.

a. Jacob's decision to break cultural custom demonstrates that his decision making is no longer guided by his own persuasions.

THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF
Jacob
A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE

I cnduo't bvleiee taht I culod aulacly
uesdtannrd waht I was rdnaieg. Unisg the
icndeblire pweor of the hmuan mnid,
aocdcnig to rseecrah at Cmabrigde
Uinervtisy, it dseno't mtttaer in waht oderr
the lterets in a wrod are, the olny irpoamtnt
tihng is taht the frsit and lsat ltteer be in the
rhgit pclae. The rset can be a taotl mses and
you can sitll raed it whoutit a pboerlm. Tihs is
bucseae the huamn mnid deos not raed
ervey ltteer by istlef, but the wrod as a
wlohe. Aaznmig, huh? Yaeh and I awlyas
tghhuot slelinpg was ipmorantt!

I couldn't believe that I could actually understand what I was reading. Using the incredible power of the human brain, according to research at Cambridge University, it doesn't matter in what order the letters in a word are, the only important thing is that the first and last letter be in the right place. The rest can be a total, mess and you can read it without a problem. This is because the human mind does not read every letter by itself, but the word as a whole. Amazing, huh? Yeah and I always thought spelling was important!

**"For this world is not our
permanent home; we are
looking forward to a home
yet to come."**

-Hebrews 13:14



Lessons from Jacob to Us

2. Grace changes the way Jacob lived life.

a. Jacob's decision to break cultural custom demonstrates that his decision making is no longer guided by his own persuasions.

THE COMPLICATED LIFE OF
Jacob
A LIFE LIKE YOURS AND MINE