

## **JACOB: A WORK IN PROGRESS**

### **GENESIS 32–36 (32:22–32; 35:1–15)**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Enough is enough!

#### **1. JACOB MEETS GOD ... THEN ESAU (GEN 32:1–33:17)**

Laban behind ... Esau ahead!

Jacob becomes Israel

A) Be humble before God

The classic reconciliation

#### **2. THE TRAGEDY AT SHECHEM (GEN 33:18–34:31)**

Danger ... disaster ... disproportionate

A) The need for good ethics and law

#### **3. THE BLESSING AT BETHEL (GEN 35:1–15)**

Jacob gets it right

A) Devotion not syncretism

Blessings affirmed

A) God is faithful to the flawed (yet again)

#### **4. DEATH AND DESCENDENTS (GEN 35:16–36:43)**

#### **CONCLUSION**

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