



# BLOOD BROTHERS

A SERIES IN  
GENESIS 25-36

## JACOB'S STICKS AROUND (30:25-43)

**1. Bargaining (vv. 25-36)**

**2. Breeding (vv. 36-43)**

**3. Basic Truth**

1. Share how you've seen God at work in this previous week (perhaps in answer to prayer requests), or other ways you've seen his goodness.
2. What insight, principle, or observation from the message did you find most helpful, most challenging, or most troubling? Please explain.
3. Can you think of a time when you believed that your actions were causing you success in some way - but in hindsight, it was actually God's kindness blessing you, despite your actions?
  - Jacob should have lived out confidence in God's promise to provide for him, but resorted to a silly form of magic to provide for himself. How do we find ourselves acting similar to Jacob today?
4. If you found a brother or sister in sin, who believed that God was blessing it, or working through it, how would you counsel them? How would you lovingly show them that blessing does not equate to approval from God? Consider the following:
  - Ecclesiastes 7:15
  - Psalm 37:16-17
  - Psalm 92:6-8
  - Skim over all of Psalm 37. What are some warnings to those who disobey & believe they're blessed? What are some comforts to those who are confused by this reality?
5. According to the following verses, how have we today benefited from God being kind to Jacob's offspring despite their sin?
  - Ezekiel 36:16-32
  - Romans 5:6-11
6. Pray together, thanking the God who has blessed us with Christ & His new covenant, despite our sin.

**next week:** Genesis 31