

# Work Differently

## Genesis 30:25-31:16

[Jacob Outwits Laban; God Prospers Jacob]

### SERMON OUTLINE

### SERMON NOTES

#### I. LABAN'S WORK

A. Jacob's decision to depart, in line with God's will.

(30:25-26, 29-33)

B. Laban's deceptive tendencies in the \_\_\_\_\_.

(Leah/Rachel substitution)

C. Laban's deceptive tendencies in the \_\_\_\_\_.

(30:28, 35-36)

#### II. JACOB'S WORK

A. Jacob makes a reasonable claim for his wages.

(30:29-30, 32-33)

B. Jacob's \_\_\_\_\_ to work for his wages

(30:31, 33)

C. Jacob's industriousness. (30:25-42)

D. Jacob's resolution to \_\_\_\_\_. (31:3-16)

#### III. GOD'S WORK

A. The parallel with the story of the mandrakes shows

\_\_\_\_\_ providence.

B. Links with divine promise in Gen 28, show God's

hand at work ("return/ "keep", 30:31; "increase"

30:30, 43).

C. Jacob's \_\_\_\_\_ of God's hand upon his

success. (31:5, 7, 9, 11-13)

#### IV. *WORK FOR GOD, WITH GOD!*

How do we work hard, while trusting in God's work,

especially in seasons of despair and trouble?