

## **(I) PLANS TO RETURN HOME TO CANAAN**

1. Jacob speaks to Laban openly concerning his plans to return home

a) Request to return home

b) With all his wives

c) With all the children

2. Service rendered

a) For the wives (14 years)

b) His service for the other years (Genesis 30:26)

## **(II) LABAN'S COUNTER OFFER**

Genesis 30:27-28

1. Asked Jacob to stay on (Genesis 30:27)

2. Appreciation of the contribution of Jacob

3. Acknowledgment of God's blessings through Jacob

4. Wages to be discussed further

## **(III) JACOB'S NEGOTIATION**

Genesis 30:29-43

1. Review of service

2. Laban has been the main beneficiary all these years

3. Jacob now wants to provide for his own family

4. Laban is open for further discussion

“What shall I give you?” Genesis 30:31a

5. Proposal of Jacob

- a) He will take the speckled and spotted sheep
- b) The brown among the lambs
- c) The spotted and speckled among the goats
- d) These would be his wages (Genesis 30:31-32)

#### 6. Reasoning of Jacob

- a) Personal righteousness (Genesis 30:33)
- b) No dispute later (Genesis 30:33)

#### 7. Laban agrees (Genesis 30:34)

#### 8. Jacob begins to work for himself and his family

- a) He removed the spotted and speckled (Genesis 30:35-36)
- b) He distanced himself from Laban's flocks (3 days' journey)

#### 9. Jacob's knowledge of how to raise speckled sheep/goats (Genesis 30:37-40)

### **(IV) PROSPERITY OF JACOB**

#### Genesis 30:43

- 1. Became exceedingly prosperous
- 2. Large flocks
- 3. Female and male servants
- 4. Possessed camels and donkeys