

Q7 – GOD IS GOOD AT VICTORY!

PARENT TEACHING GUIDE

God wins the victory! We are studying Old Testament battle stories. These stories show us over and over again that God has the power and God wins the victory for His people when they follow His commandments (have faith in Him). We will study Jesus' triumph over death, which brings us the victory of salvation. We can be victorious if we remain faithful to God and to the sacrifice of His son. God never promises that our lives will be easy. He does promise us victory through Christ if we trust Him.

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LESSON 3. JACOB WINS ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE FROM LABAN BY THE GENETIC PROVIDENCE OF GOD

Memory Verse: Psalm 146:5-6 Happy are those who are helped by the God of Jacob. Their hope is in the Lord their God. He made heaven and earth, the sea and everything in it. He remains loyal forever.

Text: Genesis 30:25-31:18

Jacob goes to his uncle's home to find a wife. Laban is dishonest and deceives him. Jacob is patient and honest. He works hard and allows God to be in charge. Sometimes when we want something, we cannot have it when we want it.

FACTS TO KNOW

WHERE: GENESIS; Canaan and Haran

WHO: Jacob, Laban, Rachel, and Leah

WHEN (Purple Card): First Fathers

PRAISE & PRAYER Show pictures of different types/breeds of cattle to your child(ren). Praise God who thought of animals, made animals, controls animals, and won a battle for Jacob using animals.

Praise Passage: **Psalm 35:10** Have your child write the verse down into a small notebook of their own ("Praise Journal"). Praise God & discuss the meaning as they write it down. The point of the praise passage is for your child to learn how to praise God – learn how to say nice things about God and to God in prayer.



Victory Psalm: [Psalm 136*](#)

Victory Songs: [The Battle Belongs to the Lord*](#) & [Faith is the Victory*](#)

WHEN WALL/ TIMELINE Use the "[When Wall – Purple Cards Key](#)"* to do the When Wall cards at home. Review the Historical Heading cards ("purple cards") that tell the story of the Bible. For Kindergarten and up add in the Famous People cards (white cards) and for 2nd grade and up add in the Books of the Bible cards (yellow cards).

LESSON As you introduce the lesson, talk about where in the Bible timeline this lesson occurs (which purple card this lesson falls under). See the [Victory-When Wall*](#) answer key for guidance (a copy is also provided in the student folder). "Jacob wins..." goes under the "First Fathers" purple card. Tell carefully or read dramatically today's lesson using the Bible, your child's lesson folder, or the preschool family story within this guide. Here are the [lesson 3 visuals*](#) created by Renee to help you teach this lesson. *Remember to emphasize how God is the hero of the story!*

ACTIVITIES Use the activity packet for lesson 3 provided in your child's student folder. Students in the 2nd -5th grades have a cover page for the packet where they can begin learning their memory verse by writing it down and writing what they are thankful for and what they will pray for this week.

Open my eyes that I may see....God is in Heaven fighting for me.

Additional Activity: God's Protection

Supplies: Paper and markers/crayons

- Explain that just like Jacob in the story, God protects our lives as well. Sometimes that means physical protection from harm (like Jacob and Laban) and sometimes it's spiritual protection from Satan. Either way, we can thank God for his blessing of protection!
- Have your child think of some ways that God has protected them. They will draw a picture or write a few sentences about God blessing of protection in their lives. Explain that our ultimate protection comes from Jesus. When He died on the cross He took the punishment for our sin, which was God's wrath. When we put our trust in Jesus we are protected from having to suffer that same punishment!

[Victory Marching Drill*](#)

SING *The Twelve Sons of Jacob; Three Wondering Jews; more songs about Victory: Onward Christian Soldiers, [The Lord's Army](#), Soldiers of Christ Arise, Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus*

**All underlined items are links to teaching resources*

FAMILY/PRE-K STORY: Jacob Believes in God's Power / God Gives Him Victory over Laben

Genesis 30:25 – 31:18

This is the Bible, God's written word. It tells how God made us and it tells how God loves us. Listen carefully and keep God's words in your heart so that you will never forget how good and wonderful our God is. God loves us and takes care of us....

Jehovah is my shepherd; and I shall not want, He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul: He guides me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Psalms 23:1-3 Oh give thanks unto Jehovah for He is good: for His lovingkindness endureth for ever. Oh give thanks unto the God of gods; For His lovingkindness endures forever. Oh give thanks unto the Lord of lords; For His lovingkindness endures forever: To Him who alone does great wonders; for His lovingkindness endures forever. Psalms 136:1-4

Before the world began God made a great plan. His plan was to send His son Jesus to defeat Satan, sin, and death. The first man, Adam, did not choose God and God separated him and wife by sending them out of the garden. They began to have children and their children had children. Many many years later, God chose one of their descendants to be a part of His great plan to save man. He chose Abraham because Abraham was righteous. *He believed that God was the one and only true God.* By now many people were following their own hearts and desires and believed the lies that Satan brought into the world. They believed that the sun and the moon and the animals were gods. They believed that they could make a god out of wood or stone. But Abraham was brave and trusted in the One True God and served only Him. God called Abraham His friend. He promised him a great land. His children would become a mighty nation and through his children the whole world would be blessed. Abraham was also a good father. He taught his children to trust in God's promises.

One of Abraham's grandchildren was put to a test. Jacob went back to the land of his fathers to find a wife among the daughters of his uncle. But his uncle, Laben, was not honest with him. He tricked him into working for him many years to earn his wife. Finally Jacob had enough and wanted to go back to his home. By this time Jacob had many children and many sheep. But Laben was sneaky and found ways to keep him there with agreements. But Laben's agreements were really lies. Jacob was making him rich and he did not want him to go. Jacob was honest and tried to keep these agreements. But God blessed Jacob and caused his flocks of sheep to become strong and Laben's became weak. An angel told Jacob that God was watching and causing this to happen. Jacob trusted God and worshipped him. God blessed Jacob and allowed him to become a rich man in spite of Laben's dishonesty. God gave Jacob victory and he was soon allowed to take his family and his herds home. **GOD IS GOOD AT VICTORY!** He will bless us too if we trust in him, have patients, and remain honest in all we do. Sometimes we can not have what we want right now. Waiting is good. We learn to trust God.

Family - Older Child & Adult Questions:

1. In Psalm 136:10-12, the Psalmist speaks to "Him who struck Egypt" and "brought Israel ...with a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm." How did God have a strong hand?

What does it mean that He had an outstretched arm?

2. Read 2 Corinthians 2:14-15. Fill in the blanks below. Now thanks *be* to _____ who _____ leads us in _____ in _____, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. In the end of verse 14 and verse 15, Paul states that God uses us to share His knowledge in every place. How can our "victories" over Satan be a "fragrance" to the world?

3. True or False When Jacob was young, he was a liar and a cheat,

4. True or False Jacob grew into an honest and hardworking man who trusted in God.
5. Laban realized that _____ had blessed him for _____ sake. (Genesis 30:27)
6. Laban tricked and tried to cheat Jacob. How many times did Laban change how he would pay Jacob? (Genesis 31:7)
7. The end of Genesis 31:7 tells you who was protecting Jacob. Who was this?
8. How did the deal work out? Who got most of the herds?
9. Genesis 31:1 tells us what Laban’s sons thought about this deal. Explain that here.
10. God truly blessed Jacob because of his faithfulness. But God also blessed Laban while Jacob worked for him. Read Psalm 146:5-6. It tells us that one who has “the God of Jacob for his help” is “happy!” How can having God as our help make us happy?
11. Read the following passages and write what these passages reveal that God hates. (Proverbs 11:1, 20:10, and 20:23)
12. Proverbs has a lot of passages about how God helps good people and defeats the wicked. Fill in the chart below with what happened for the righteous and the sinner.

PASSAGE	DESCRIBE GOOD PERSON	RESULT FOR GOOD	DESCRIBE EVIL PERSON	RESULT FOR EVIL
PROVERBS 10:3				
PROVERBS 10:16				
PROVERBS 10:24-25				
PROVERBS 11:3				
PROVERBS 11:18				
PROVERBS 12:7				
PROVERBS 13:9				
PROVERBS 13:11				
PROVERBS 14:22				
PROVERBS 15:9				
PROVERBS 28:25				