## INTERNATIONAL BIBLE CHURCH (IBC) LINZ

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...then you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. Jn.8:32

## SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

20:12:07

Theme: DELIVERANCE FROM BARRENNESS

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 2:8 "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession."

Texts: Judges 13:2-5

Deliverance from barrenness is not in special prayer, rituals of formulas: neither is it in any other human device or wisdom; it is in the LORD our God. Today many believers do not like the demand of praying for solutions for their problems. They prefer to lobby, give bribes, blackmail, and grumble and complain about their problems. We need to know that God answers prayer. Our memory verse is telling us what God can do when we asked of Him. Many do not ask they do otherwise.

In the name Rachel gave to her son, we see the triumph of spirituality over carnality; of wrestling with men in the flesh. "And she called his name Joseph; and she said, the Lord shall add unto me another son". Whereas Joseph's name of all other children born in the chapter reveal intense fighting and rivalry. Dan means "a troop", a name intended to taunt a rival, and Asher means, means Happiness. Issachar means my hire. Zebulon means "Now my husband will dwell with me" Leah also had a daughter named Dinah, vindicated.

All the seven names came out of carnal competition. Only Joseph's name looked away from man and faced God alone, "The LORD shall add to me another son": In Rachel, at last, faith had found a way for expression. Her faith in God after she saw that Jacob could not help her with a child, through the answer he gave to her when she confronted him out of frustration, brought opened womb and Joseph was born. The name Joseph showed her continuous faith in God. What a lesson to all those looking up unto God for something special. Deliverance can take place in one's life only through faith in the Lord.