

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

08:11:15

Theme: THE DIVINE FAVOUR IN JACOB, S LIFE

Memory Verse: *Genesis 29:14 “And Laban said to him, surely thou art my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of a month.”*

Texts: John 4:28-34

From all indications, the Lord’s hand was at work on Jacob’s life in all that transpired at the well. First, he was told that Laban, s daughter, Rachel, was coming to the well with her father’s sheep. Upon her arrival, Jacob helped her to roll away the stone to water the sheep. Then, he introduced himself to Rachel, Who hurried to relay the good news, Laban, s household subsequently gave him a warm and rousing welcome.

No comfort could have been more soothing than that offered by Laban when Jacob needed it most. He had just escaped the threat of death and in answer to his prayer at Bethel, Laban, s house has suddenly become for him a “city of refuge.” What a challenge to believers to make their homes and local churches a haven of refuge for weary pilgrims. The warm reception of Jacob by Uncle Laban and the family brought a great relief to weary and fearful Jacob.

The lesson let us to know how Jacob was divinely favoured by the Lord. All this blessings, started from the day God shows himself to him to tell him of His grace, mercy, love and care. Jacob’s dream in Bethel, his present at the well, his inquiry from the strangers, the answers from the strangers to his many questions, Rachel joy of seeing him and the heartily welcome of Laban proved without doubt the divine favour in Jacob’s life. Our genuine encounter with the Lord will bring an open door of divine favour. Beloved open up unto God and favour will locate.