

“Gotcha”

Genesis 29:15-30




Life Question

I know God has called me to serve, but how should I respond when things simply do not go the way I want them to go?



The Prank 29:15-27

- **Jacob's Deal v.15-20**
- **Laban's Deception v.21-27**




**I must completely rely on the Lord,
not people, because people will
eventually let me down.**



The Promises 28:10-16

- **Promise of relationship v.13a**
- **Promise of blessing v.13b-14**
- **Promise of presence v.15-16**




**God's promises *qualify*
(relationship) me to serve,
embolden (blessing) me to serve,
and *empower* (presence) me to
persevere in service to the Lord.**



The Passion 28:17-22

Jacob recognizes ...

- God's power v.17
- God's place v.18-19
- God's plan v.20-22



When God has His proper place in our lives and we are consistently given over to His power, then, and only then, will we see His plan unveiled in our lives and we will be empowered to accomplish that plan.



Applications

- 1. Fill my life with truth.**
- 2. Allow God to shape my attitude towards service.**
- 3. Expand my area of service. Take advantage of every opportunity.**