

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: AOrd17x2017

Text: Genesis 29:15-28

15 Then Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” 16 Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17 Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. 18 Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” 19 Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.”

20 So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. 21 Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” 22 So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. 23 But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. 24 (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) 25 When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?”

26 Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. 27 Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” 28 Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Word - I, Body - I/S, People - I/S

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic MWD	The word for “firstborn” in this passage is the same word Jacob uses to deceive his father into thinking <i>he</i> is the firstborn.	Apparently, the wrong bride is a subgenre in pulp historical romance novels. Or at least there are several examples . The Red Tent , by Anita Diamant is based on this story.	
Eye - Visual/Spatial	Darkness of night = poor vision of old age	Michelangelo’s “ Leah and Rachel ”	
Math -			Vs. 26 - Create a chart for

Logical/Mathematical			best marriage matches by birth order as here or here
Body - Kinesthetic D2		<p>Physiology of getting cheated - in particular, getting cheated <i>on</i>, but it probably still works.</p> <p>A technical paper on the psychological effects of betrayal (It refers to “mental contamination” so I found something about that here.)</p>	Have folks point to the part of their bodies where they feel betrayal - Face? Heart? Gut?
Musical			
Natural			
People - Interpersonal MWD		<p>This story of complicated wedding relationships: bride runs off and marries another man, so bride’s younger sister agrees to marry original groom - “everyone leaves happy”</p> <p>Vs. 26 - According to this, the custom of marrying the eldest daughter first has been common in the world and dealt with in different ways, like dancing in the hog trough. More references to this eldest-first custom may be found here</p> <p>Cheater gets cheated? Sucker Double trouble Revenge</p>	<p>Discuss this quote:</p> <p>“Some of us may identify strongly with Leah, with the feelings of rejection and alienation. We look on enviously at those with more Rachel-like qualities, the ones who seem so effortlessly talented and put together, the ones to whom everyone is drawn because of their beauty and charm. But we don’t know the struggles of the Rachels among us. Perhaps they show a beautiful face to the world while hiding the sorrows that lurk deep within.” ~Chaya Shuchat, Chabad.org</p> <p>Which sister do people identify with? How were each of them left exposed by this episode? How were each of them blessed by it? Do you think their relationship was fractured with no hope of repair? What do you suppose life was like among their</p>

			children?
Self - Intrapersonal	Schadenfraude (sp?) Jacob received what he dealt out	Woman selling her husband's classic Studebaker for \$100.00 Vs. 26 - That moment when... karma	