

Study Guide on Genesis 29:15-30

New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Genesis 29:15-30

(Genesis 29:15) Then Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my relative, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?”

(Genesis 29:16) Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel.

(Genesis 29:17) And Leah’s eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful of form and face.

(Genesis 29:18) Now Jacob loved Rachel, so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.”

(Genesis 29:19) Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than to give her to another man; stay with me.”

(Genesis 29:20) So Jacob served seven years for Rachel and they seemed to him but a few days because of his love for her.

(Genesis 29:21) Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife, for my time is completed, that I may go in to her.”

(Genesis 29:22) Laban gathered all the men of the place and made a feast.

(Genesis 29:23) Now in the evening he took his daughter Leah, and brought her to him; and Jacob went in to her.

(Genesis 29:24) Laban also gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah as a maid.

(Genesis 29:25) So it came about in the morning that, behold, it was Leah! And he said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Was it not for Rachel that I served with you? Why then have you deceived me?”

(Genesis 29:26) But Laban said, “It is not the practice in our place to marry off the younger before the firstborn.

(Genesis 29:27) “Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also for the service which you shall serve with me for another seven years.”

(Genesis 29:28) Jacob did so and completed her week, and he gave him his daughter Rachel as his wife.

(Genesis 29:29) Laban also gave his maid Bilhah to his daughter Rachel as her maid.

(Genesis 29:30) So Jacob went in to Rachel also, and indeed he loved Rachel more than Leah, and he served with Laban for another seven years.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?