

Higher Ground

⁴⁶ And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these which are of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

- Though used as an excuse it was probably a concern.
- Mothers are far more scrutinizing of their son's choices than their own.
- Rebecca is possibly even trying to recreate her own experience that it would assure her of her son's success.
- Esau's wives were of the Hittites.

28 And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.² Arise, go to Padanaram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

- **Etymology and meaning of the name Paddan-aram**
The name Paddan-aram obviously consists of two parts. The second part of the name is the same as the name [Aram](#), and comes from רום (*rum*) meaning to be high, rise up:
- Arise - when you are pursuing a wife you must be looking to go to the next level. You are looking for

promotion in the mission God has given you and thus you will need what he puts alongside you.

³ And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

- Verse 3. - **And God Almighty** - El Shaddai (**vide** [Genesis 17:1](#)) - **bless thee**, - the Abrahamic benediction in its fullest form was given by El Shaddai (**vide** [Genesis 17:1-8](#)) - **and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be** - literally, **and thou shalt become** (or grow to) - **a multitude** - an assembly, or congregation, or crowd called together, from a root signifying to call together (Gesenius), or to sweep up together (Furst); corre 2... God's ultimate goal: a people of purpose.

⁴ And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.

- **The Blessing of Abraham!** The blessing flows down not up. Children are to look for that blessing and pursue God expecting.

⁵ And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padanaram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

- So laughter sent away the deceiver to be lifted up meet white and shining who is related to a Man of God Bethuel.

⁶ When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padanaram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;

- Esau is determined to receive what he thinks is rightfully His, He is not satisfied with his he inwardly believes what Jacob received is rightfully his.
- He seeks to duplicate in another form of the blessing of Jacob by choosing a wife from Ishmael his Father's brother believing to circumvent the union Jacob will have from Rebecca's brother.

⁷ And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padanaram;

- Jacob goes to the brother of his mother whose Father is Bethuel the man of God - Esau goes to Ishmael his father's brother who's distinction is the son of the bondwomen.

⁸ And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father;

- He is picking out his women purely to to please his earthly father not his heavenly father. He is looking where he believes the blessing would come to him with the natural eye.

⁹ Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

¹⁰ And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran.

¹¹ And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

- He obeyed mother and father and accepted the charge.
- God times the departures so when the sun is set which is the signal to rest he is right where God wants him to be.
- Probably draped a cloth over the stones but it was not a "my pillow" He prepares to sleep.
- Sometimes the only way God can communicate to us without our opinionated mind.

¹² And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

- The ladder was more than a stairway that depicted the angels going up and down.
- He was in the purpose of the Father and there was high angelic activity.
- Angels on Assignment
- Hebrews I make my angels ministering spirits and my ministers a flame of fire.

¹³ And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said, I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

- He is revealing the inception of the promise by calling Abraham his father (Isaac) where his blessing was initiating from.
- This will be a repeated announcement through the torah the first five books as a point of reference.
- This is the designated place of your assignment.
- It hasn't been secured as of yet but it will be for you.

¹⁴ And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

- This is the Blessing being revealed that this is what is being said in heaven so walk it out here on earth.
- This blessing or covenant blessing is perpetual as long as you decide to keep covenant.
- All the families of the earth was the original intent not just the Jews.

¹⁵ And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

- Blessed Assurance
- Presence, Protection, Promotion, Preservation, Power, Prosperity, Popularity, Punctual, Patient,
- He Will Keep His Promise