



## **“Secure”**

*Because God Protects  
Genesis 31:17-32*

*God protects through His:*

### **I. Instruction** - “set his face toward... mount Gilead” (vs. 17-21)

*Which reveals our:*

- A. Duty** - “Then Jacob rose up”
- B. Direction** - “to go to...the land of Canaan”
- C. Deliverance** - “Jacob stole away unawares to Laban”

### **II. Intervention** - “God came to Laban...in a dream” (vs. 22-25)

*Which results in:*

- A. Perception** - “it was told Laban on the third day”
- B. Positioning** - “overtook him in the mount Gilead”
- C. Prevention** - “Take heed that thou speak not”

### **III. Insight** - “Speak not to Jacob either good or bad” (vs. 26-32)

*Which recognizes:*

- A. Pretense** - “I might have sent thee away with...songs”
- B. Pride** - “It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt”
- C. Peccancy** - “For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen”

## Sentence Sermon:

***“God loves and protects us and  
only what He allows can happen to us .”***

## Additional Verses

- *Psalm 118:6-7*
- *Psalm 121:3-5*
- *Psalm 17:8*
- *Romans 8:35-39*
- *John 17:12*
- *Deuteronomy 33:26, 27*
- *Ezra 8:21-23*
- *I John 4:4*
- *Romans 8:31*
- *I Peter 1:3-5*
- *John 10:28-29*
- *Isaiah 54:17*
- *Psalm 57:1*

## Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage? Why do you think that?
3. Why is there such specificity in verses 17-18?
4. What is the significance of Rachel stealing the images?
5. Was Jacob wrong to leave without telling Laban? Why or Why not?
6. What is most surprising about Laban’s reaction to God’s warning?
7. What do you think was Laban’s strongest or most legitimate accusation?
8. What do you think is Laban’s most ridiculous accusation?
9. How would you describe Laban’s view of Jacob as a man?
10. Where in the story do you see God working in the timing of events?
11. Does God still intervene in believer’s lives today? If so, How?

12. What's your favorite part of the story and what can you learn from it?