

**God's Blessing and Man's Opposition, Part II**  
**Genesis 31:25-55, Pew Bible p. 24**  
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**Main Idea: God will take you where He sends you and overcome whoever stands in the way.**

**I. God Restrains Laban (V. 25-32)**

- A. When God calls you to move, do not be surprised if worldly people stand in the way.
- B. When God calls you to move, it is your responsibility to go and His responsibility to protect.

**II. God Emboldens Jacob (V. 33-42)**

- A. When God is on your side, He gives meaning to your suffering.
- B. When God is on your side, He gives courage against your enemies.

**III. God Silences Opposition (V. 43-55)**

- A. When God speaks, He makes all other opinions pointless.
- B. When God speaks, He makes all other forces powerless.

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## Discussion Questions

1. Read Genesis 31:25-55.

2. In verse 29, Laban admits God warned him not to harm Jacob. Why do you think God protected Jacob even though Jacob left in secret?

a. What does this show about who is responsible for our protection when we follow God's call?

3. Laban opposes Jacob's departure even though it was part of God's plan.

a. When have you faced resistance from people who opposed something God told you to do?

b. How did you respond?

4. Jacob describes twenty years of hard work, changed wages, and difficult conditions, then credits God for seeing his suffering (v. 42).

a. How have you seen God give meaning to a hard season only after it ended?

5. Jacob confronts Laban with courage after years of being mistreated. What is the difference between courage that comes from God and simple stubbornness or anger?

6. Laban and Jacob end by making a covenant and setting up a boundary marker, and Laban leaves without harming Jacob.

a. What opinions or pressures in your life need to be "silenced" by what God has already said?

b. What is one step you can take this week to trust His word over them?

7. Pray for our church members to trust in God's power over man's opposition. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00-6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center lobby.