

Jacob's Freedom from Laban
Genesis 31:22-55

Main Point:

Live in the freedom you have been given today, as you look forward to the freedom you will be given in the future.

1. Though you have escaped from captivity, you are still being pursued by the enemy.
2. But you are completely free from the power of the enemy.
3. And one day, you will be completely free from the presence of the enemy.
4. This is all because of God's sovereign grace to you in Jesus Christ.

Romans 6:5-7 ⁵ For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, ⁶ knowing this, that our old man was crucified with *Him*, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. ⁷ For he who has died has been freed from sin. (NKJV)

J.G. Vos "Knowing himself to be definitely in the wrong, and perhaps fearing that Jacob may at some future time seek revenge, Laban sought a covenant between Jacob and himself."

2 Peter 3:13 ¹³ Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. (NKJV)

Revelation 20:10 ¹⁰ The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where¹ the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. (NKJV)

Revelation 21:4 ⁴ "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." (NKJV)

Romans 6:11-14 ¹¹ Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. ¹³ And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. ¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. (NKJV)