

## THE FRUIT OF JACOB'S SINS

**Introduction:** Jacob received the fruit of his sinful life; it was fruit of fear, torment and grief. The fruit was not limited to the sins before he surrendered to God, but also to the sins after he trusted God.

**Lesson Aim:** Do not let sin have dominion over you, because the fruit of sin is bitter.

**Bible Verse:** "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatever a man sows, that shall he also reap" (Gal 6:7).

### Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer:

#### I. Disappointments of Jacob - 34:1-35:29

##### A. Defilement of Dinah - 34:1-29

1. What was the first step to the defilement of Dinah? 34:1
2. What was the result of her worldly venture? 34:2
3. What did Shechem want to do with Dinah? 34:4
4. How did Shechem's act affect Jacob's sons? 34:7
5. Why would the offer of Hamor and Shechem offend Jacob? 34:6-12; 26:34-35; 28:1
6. Why was Jacob's sons offer to Hamor and Shechem deceitful? 34:13-16, 25-26
7. What did Simeon and Levi do to the city of Shechem? 34:27-29

##### B. Distress of Jacob - 34:30-35:15

8. Why was Jacob distressed by his sons' actions? 34:30
9. What did God tell Jacob to do? 35:1
10. When Jacob buried the idols of his household, what did God do? 35:5
11. Did God have good news or bad news for Jacob at Bethel? 35:10-12

##### C. Death of Rachel - 35:16-20

11. What did Rachel do before she died? 35:16-18
12. Rachel died near Ephrath, which is \_\_\_\_\_ 35:19

##### D. Descendants of Jacob - 35:21-26

13. How did Reuben sin (that disqualified him as a leader in his family)? 35:22

##### E. Death of Isaac - 35:27-29

14. Since Isaac was 137 when he blessed Jacob, how many years did he live afterwards? 35:28

#### II. Descendants of Esau - 36:1-43

15. Why did God want the descendants of Esau recorded? See 27:40; 36:40-43

#### III. Detestation of Joseph - 37:1-36

16. Why did Joseph's brothers detest Joseph? 37:2 -  
37:3-4 -  
37:5-11 -
17. What did Joseph's brothers do to him when Jacob sent him to them? 37:23-24 -  
37:25-28 -
18. How did Jacob's sons deceive him? 37:31-33

#### IV. Depravity of Judah - 38:1-30

19. How did Judah show his depraved nature? 38:2 -  
38:12-18 -