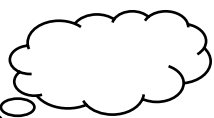


Jacob goes back home

Sunday 5th July 2020

I wonder...



...if you'd like to work on a farm?

...what it would be like to be part of a big family?

...why Jacob decided to give his brother so much?

...how we say sorry to others when we've hurt them?

The Story

(from Genesis 29:1-35; 32:1-33:20)

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Jacob did not know if his brother Esau would want to be friends again. So he sent Esau a present of lots of animals to show he was sorry. Esau gave Jacob a big hug. They were friends again!

The Challenge

Jacob's gift to Esau was extravagant and costly. But this is nothing compared to what God has given us.

The Bible tells us that all that we have is a gift from God - our family, friends, possessions, even our very lives. We respond by giving him thanks & praise and by following the example of living that Jesus set. What extravagant or costly gift could you give to someone this week?

The Activity

Jacob ended up with 4 wives and 13 children!

See if you can name each of his wives and children below and then match them up. We've done one to help you get going.

Wives ->

L _____

Rachel

B _____

Z _____

Children ->

R _____

S _____

L _____

J _____

D _____

N _____

G _____

A _____

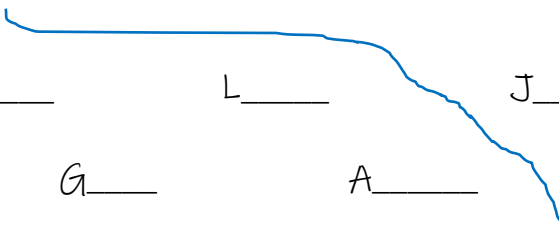
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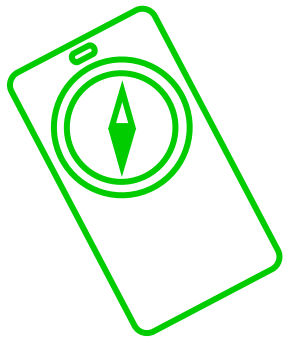
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Benjamin





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The Game

Play a game of 'Hide and Seek' - who can find the best hiding place?

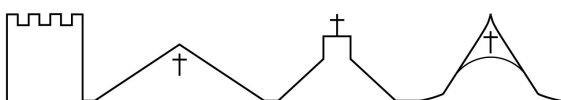
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This week, why not try giving an extravagant or costly gift to someone else.

'Freely you have received; freely give'



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The BIG Question

How do you say sorry to others when you've hurt them?

The Activity

Can you find the bold words from the story in the wordsearch?

C	H	I	L	D	R	E	N	G	L
Z	Y	D	E	R	A	Q	P	V	H
S	T	E	A	M	C	L	O	C	K
O	F	S	H	P	H	A	N	G	S
R	X	A	W	T	E	B	J	O	L
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F	U	N	B	O	C	A	J	S	I
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