WHAT NOT TO DO LEARNING FROM JACOB'S BACKSLIDING Genesis 33:1-20

I. DO NOT FORGET WHAT THE LORD HAS TAUGHT YOU: The Lord had blessed Jacob by breaking him (Review Ch. 32)

II. REALIZE OUR OLD WAYS ARE NOT FAR FROM US: Jacob, driven by fear, quickly reverts back to his old ways, as he schemes and then deceives Esau (1-16)

III. KNOW THAT UNCONFESSED SIN LEADS TO MORE SIN AND FURTHER COMPROMISE (17-19)

A. Jacob heads the wrong way and settles short of Canaan in Succoth (17)

B. Jacob finally enters the land safely yet settles in Shechem rather than heading to Bethel (18-19)

IV. UNDERSTAND YOU CAN SEEMINGLY WALK WITH THE LORD YET BE FAR FROM WHERE HE WANTS YOU TO BE: Jacob erects an alter yet he is far from where the Lord wants him to be(20)

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V. KNOW CONSEQUENCES WILL FOLLOW WHEN WE COMPROMISE: We see rape, reproach and a massacre (Ch. 34)