



יז וַיִּקָּם יַעֲקֹב וַיֵּשָׂא אֶת-בָּנָיו וְאֶת-נָשָׁיו עַל-הַגְּמָלִים:
יח וַיִּנְהַג אֶת-כָּל-מִקְנֵהוּ וְאֶת-כָּל-רֶכְשׁוֹ אֲשֶׁר רָכַשׁ
מִמֶּנֶּה קְנִינֹו אֲשֶׁר רָכַשׁ בְּפֶדֶן אָרֶם לָבוֹא אֶל-יִצְחָק אָבִיו
אֶרֶץ כְּנַעַן: יט וְלִבְן הַלֶּךְ לַגִּזּוֹ אֶת-צֹאנֹו וַתִּגְנֹב רַחֵל
אֶת-הַתְּרָפִים אֲשֶׁר לְאָבִיהָ: כ וַיִּגְנֹב יַעֲקֹב אֶת-לֵב לִבְן
הָאָרָמִי עַל-בְּלֵי הַגִּיד לוֹ כִּי בָרַח הוּא: כא וַיְבָרַח הוּא
וְכָל-אֲשֶׁר-לוֹ וַיִּקָּם וַיַּעֲבֹר אֶת-הַנָּהָר וַיֵּשֶׁם אֶת-פָּנָיו הַר
הַגְּלָעָד: כב וַיִּגַּד לְלִבְן בַּיּוֹם הַשְּׁלִישִׁי כִּי בָרַח יַעֲקֹב:
כג וַיִּקַּח אֶת-אָחִיו עֲמוֹ וַיִּרְדֹּף אַחֲרָיו דְּרוֹךְ שְׁבַעַת יָמִים
וַיִּדְבֹּק אֹתוֹ בְּהַר הַגְּלָעָד: כד וַיָּבֹא אֱלֹהִים אֶל-לִבְן הָאָרָמִי
בַּחֲלֹם הַלַּיְלָה וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ הֲשֹׁמֵר לְךָ פֶּן-תִּדְבֹּר עִם-יַעֲקֹב
מֵטוֹב עַד-רָע: כה וַיֵּשֶׁג לִבְן אֶת-יַעֲקֹב וַיַּעֲקֹב תִּקַּע
אֶת-אָהָלוֹ בְּהַר וְלִבְן תִּקַּע אֶת-אָחִיו בְּהַר הַגְּלָעָד:
כו וַיֹּאמֶר לִבְן לַיַּעֲקֹב מָה עָשִׂיתָ וַתִּגְנֹב אֶת-לִבִּי וַתִּנְהַג
אֶת-בְּנֹתַי כְּשִׁבּוֹת חֶרֶב: כז לָמָּה נִחַבְתָּ לְבָרַח וַתִּגְנֹב
אֹתִי וְלֹא-הִגַּדְתָּ לִּי וְאַשְׁלַחְךָ בְּשֹׁמְחָה וּבְשָׂרִים בְּתַף
וּבְכַנּוּר: כח וְלֹא נִטְשֵׁתָנִי לְנִשְׁק לְבָנִי וְלִבְנֹתַי עִתָּה

הַסְכַּלְתָּ עֲשׂוֹ: כט יִשְׁ-לֵאל יְדֵי לַעֲשׂוֹת עִמָּכֶם רַע וְאֱלֹהֵי
אֲבִיכֶם אָמַשׁ | אָמַר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר הַשְּׁמֹר לְךָ מִדְּבַר
עִם-יַעֲקֹב מִטוֹב עַד-רָע: ל וְעַתָּה הֲלֹךְ הַלַּכְתָּ כִּי-נִכְסֶף
נִכְסַפְתָּה לְבֵית אָבִיךָ לָמָּה גִנַּבְתָּ אֶת-אֱלֹהֵי: לא וַיַּעַן
יַעֲקֹב וַיֹּאמֶר לְלִבָּן כִּי יִרְאֵתִי כִּי אָמַרְתִּי פֶן-תִּגְזֹל
אֶת-בְּנוֹתַיךָ מֵעַמִּי: לב עַם אֲשֶׁר תִּמְצָא אֶת-אֱלֹהֶיךָ לֹא
יַחֲיֶה נֶגֶד אַחִינוּ הַכָּרֶ-לְךָ מָה עֲמָדִי וְקַח-לְךָ וְלֹא-יִדַע
יַעֲקֹב כִּי רָחֵל גִּנַּבְתָּם: לג וַיֵּבֵא לִבָּן בְּאֵהֶל-יַעֲקֹב | וּבְאֵהֶל
לְאָה וּבְאֵהֶל שְׁתֵּי הָאִמְהוֹת וְלֹא מִצָּא וַיֵּצֵא מֵאֵהֶל לְאָה
וַיֵּבֵא בְּאֵהֶל רָחֵל: לד וְרָחֵל לָקְחָה אֶת-הַתָּרְפִים וְהַשִּׁמִּם
בְּכֹר הַגָּמֶל וַתֵּשֶׁב עֲלֵיהֶם וַיִּמְשֹׁשׁ לִבָּן אֶת-כָּל-הָאֵהֶל
וְלֹא מִצָּא: לה וַתֹּאמֶר אֶל-אֲבִיהָ אֵל-יַחַר בְּעֵינַי אֲדָנִי כִּי
לֹא אוֹכַל לָקוּם מִפְּנֶיךָ כִּי-דָרְךָ נָשִׁים לִי וַיַּחֲפֹשׂ וְלֹא
מִצָּא אֶת-הַתָּרְפִים: לו וַיַּחַר לְיַעֲקֹב וַיִּרְבּ בְּלִבָּן וַיַּעַן יַעֲקֹב
וַיֹּאמֶר לְלִבָּן מַה-פָּשַׁעִי מַה חָטָאתִי כִּי דִלַקְתָּ אַחֲרָי:
לז כִּי-מִשִּׁשֶׁת אֶת-כָּל-כְּלֵי מַה-מִּצָּאתָ מְכַל כְּלֵי-בֵיתְךָ
שִׁים כֹּה נֶגֶד אַחִי וְאַחִיךָ וַיִּוְכַיְחוּ בֵּין שְׁנֵינוּ: לח זֶה
עֲשָׂרִים שָׁנָה אֲנֹכִי עִמָּךְ רָחֵלְיִךָ וְעֵזְרִיךָ לֹא שָׁכְלוּ וְאֵילִי
צָאנְךָ לֹא אָכַלְתִּי: לט טִרְפָּה לֹא-הֵבֵאתִי אֵלֶיךָ אֲנֹכִי
אַחַטְנָה מִיָּדִי תִּבְקַשְׁנָה גִּנַּבְתִּי יוֹם וּגְנַבְתִּי לַיְלָה: מ הֵייתִי
בַּיּוֹם אֲכַלְנִי חָרֵב וְקָרַח בַּלַּיְלָה וַתִּדַּד שְׁנַתִּי מֵעֵינַי:

מֵא זֶה־לִּי עֶשְׂרִים שָׁנָה בְּבֵיתְךָ עֲבַדְתִּיךָ אַרְבַּע־עֶשְׂרֵה
שָׁנָה בְּשֵׁתִי בְּנִתֶיךָ וְשֵׁשׁ שָׁנִים בְּצֹאנְךָ וַתַּחֲלֶיךָ
אֶת־מִשְׁכָּרְתִּי עֲשֹׂרֶת מְנִים: מִב לֹלֵי אֱלֹהֵי אָבִי אֱלֹהֵי
אַבְרָהָם וַיִּפְחַד יִצְחָק הֲיָה לִּי כִּי עֲתָה רִיקָם שְׁלַחְתָּנִי
אֶת־עֲנָיִי וְאֶת־יְגִיעַ כַּפֵּי רָאָה אֱלֹהִים וַיּוֹכַח אִמְשׁ:

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17. Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels; 18. And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had acquired, the cattle of his getting, which he had acquired in Padan-Aram, to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan. 19. And Laban went to shear his sheep; and Rachel had stolen the teraphim that were her father's. 20. And Jacob outwitted Laban the Aramean, in that he did not tell him that he fled. 21. And he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his face toward the Mount Gilead. 22. And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob had fled. 23. And he took his brothers with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the Mount Gilead. 24. And the Eternal One came to Laban the Aramean in a dream by night, and said to him, Take heed that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad. 25. Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount; and Laban with his brothers pitched in the Mount of Gilead. 26. And Laban said to Jacob, What have you done, that you have stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives taken with the sword? 27. Why did you flee away secretly, and steal away from me; and did not tell me, that I might have sent you away with mirth, and with songs, with tambourine, and with harp? 28. And why did you not let me kiss my sons and my daughters? Now you have done foolishly in so doing. 29. It is in the power of my hand to hurt you; but the Eternal One of your father spoke to me last night, saying, Take heed that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad. 30. And now, that you are surely gone, because you so long after your father's house, why have you stolen my gods? 31. And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid; for I said, Perhaps you would take by force your daughters from me. 32. With whom you will find your gods, let him not live. Before our brothers point out what is yours with me, and take it with you. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them. 33. And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found them not. Then he went out from Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. 34. Now Rachel had taken the teraphim, and put them in the camel's saddle, and sat upon them. And Laban searched all the tent, but found them not. 35. And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I can not rise up in your presence; for the custom of women is upon me. And he searched, but did not find the teraphim. 36. And Jacob was angry, and chided with Laban; and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What is my trespass? What is my sin, that you have so hotly pursued after me? 37. Although you have searched all my stuff, what have you found of all your household goods? Set it here before my brothers and your brothers, that they may judge between us both. 38. This twenty years have I been with you; your ewes and your female goats have not miscarried their

young, and the rams of your flock have I not eaten. 39. That which was torn of beasts I brought not to you; I bore the loss of it; of my hand did you require it, whether stolen by day, or stolen by night. 40. Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from my eyes. 41. Thus have I been twenty years in your house; I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your cattle; and you have changed my wages ten times. 42. Except the Eternal One of my father, the Eternal One of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely you would have sent me away now empty. The Eternal One has seen my affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked you last night.