



Torah écrite (pentateuque) - Genèse

Chapter 32

- 32,1 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them. And Laban departed, and returned unto his place.
- 32,2 And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.
- 32,3 And Jacob said when he saw them: "This is God's camp." And he called the name of that place Mahanaim.
- 32,4 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the field of Edom.
- 32,5 And he commanded them, saying: "Thus shall ye say unto my Lord Esau: Thus saith thy servant Jacob: I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now.
- 32,6 And I have oxen, and asses and flocks, and men-servants and maid-servants; and I have sent to tell my Lord, that I may find favour in thy sight."
- 32,7 And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying: "We came to thy brother Esau, and moreover he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him."
- 32,8 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed. And he divided the people that was with him, and the flocks, and the herds, and the camels, into two camps.
- 32,9 And he said: "If Esau come to the one camp, and smite it, then the camp which is left shall escape."
- 32,10 And Jacob said: "O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Lord, who saidst unto me: Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will do thee good;
- 32,11 I am not worthy of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast shown unto Thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two camps.
- 32,12 Deliver me, I pray Thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau; for I fear him, lest he come and smite me, the mother with the children.
- 32,13 And Thou saidst: I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude."
- 32,14 And he lodged there that night; and took of that which he had with him a present for Esau his brother:
- 32,15 two hundred she-goats and twenty he-goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams,
- 32,16 thirty milch camels and their colts, forty kine and ten bulls, twenty she-asses and ten foals.
- 32,17 And he delivered them into the hand of his servants, every drove by itself; and said unto his servants: "Pass over before me, and put a space betwixt drove and drove."
- 32,18 And he commanded the foremost, saying: "When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying: Whose art thou? and whither goest thou? and whose are these before thee?
- 32,19 then thou shalt say: They are thy servant Jacob's; it is a present sent unto my Lord, even unto Esau; and, behold, he also is behind us."
- 32,20 And he commanded also the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying: "In this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him;
- 32,21 and ye shall say: Moreover, behold, thy servant Jacob is behind us." For he said: "I will appease him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept me."
- 32,22 So the present passed over before him; and he himself lodged that night in the camp.
- 32,23 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two handmaids, and his eleven children, and passed over the ford of the Jabbok.



- 32,24 And he took them, and sent them over the stream, and sent over that which he had.
- 32,25 And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.
- 32,26 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him.
- 32,27 And he said: "Let me go, for the day breaketh." And he said: "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me."
- 32,28 And he said unto him: "What is thy name?" And he said: "Jacob."
- 32,29 And he said: "Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel; for thou hast striven with God and with men, and hast prevailed."
- 32,30 And Jacob asked him, and said: "Tell me, I pray thee, thy name." And he said: "Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name?" And he blessed him there.
- 32,31 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: "for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved."
- 32,32 And the sun rose upon him as he passed over Peniel, and he limped upon his thigh.
- 32,33 Therefore the children of Israel eat not the sinew of the thigh-vein which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day; because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh, even in the sinew of the thigh-vein.