

FROM SET BACK TO  
COME BACK  
'A GOD THAT  
HEALS & RESTORE'

Genesis 33 : 1-11

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**Looking at Genesis 33, we can see a bigger picture of Esau and Jacob's present life, their past and a glimpse of their future. Other Characters to learn from are Isaac, Rebekah, Laban, etc.**

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- ❖ **Jacob was destined to rule over Esau**
  - ❖ **Esau sold his birthright to Jacob**
  - ❖ **Rebekah partnered with Jacob to steal Esau's blessings**
  - ❖ **Esau lost his blessing, sort it with tears and could not get it back**
  - ❖ **Esau planned to kill Jacob for taking his blessing twice**
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- ❖ **Rebekah told Jacob to flee to Laban's house**
  - ❖ **Jacob had great encounter with God on his journey to Laban**
  - ❖ **Jacob served Laban for twenty years, married his two daughters with two concubines.**
  - ❖ **Jacob became so rich and prosperous under Laban.**
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❖ **Laban's sons became very Jealous of Jacob and his stay was threatened.**

❖ **God told him to go back to his native land and if he goes, Esau will be waiting for him**

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# **‘GOD IN THE BIGGER PICTURE’:**

**1. God was there  
at the beginning  
of Esau &  
Jacobs trouble.  
Gen 25:21-23,  
Gen 27:34-41.**

**2. God was working  
behind the scene  
despite Jacob &  
Rebekah’s evil  
cheat.**

# **‘GOD IN THE BIGGER PICTURE’:**

**3. God was working behind the scene in Esau’s anger against Jacob.**

**4. The healer knows the sickness.**

**5. God showed up at the right time for Jacob**

# **THE GOD WHO HEALS & RESTORE:** **Jehovah-Rapha**

**Synonyms of the word “heals” are:**

**1. Settles** – He settled Jacob in Laban’s house for twenty years

**2. Reconcile:**

✓ God restored over 20 years of soured relationship between Esau & Jacob in one day.



# **THE GOD WHO HEALS & RESTORE:** **Jehovah-Rapha**

- \* God can mend/heal your broken relationship/home/business, etc.**
- ✓ He reconciled us to the father - 1 Timothy 2:5 “For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus”.**
- ✓ We have become an instrument of reconciliation 2 Cor 5:17-20**

### **3. Restore / Rebuilds: God's healing can be in form of restoration / rebuilding**

- ✓ To bring back to normal what has become abnormal.
- ✓ He made the bitter water sweet – **Exodus 15:22-26**
- ✓ God can change a stony-heart  
**Ezekiel 36:26, Gen 32:24-30.**
- ✓ The lost can be found by God- **Luke 15:11-32, 2 Kings 6:5-6**

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✓ God is a special builder; he knows how to rebuild and make better than the former.

**4. Rectify** – Correct – Remedy  
(Cure the incurable)

**5. Resolve** – “God can fix the most difficult mathematics in your life”

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The Lord told Jacob to return home because he had a better plan for him; God may be telling you to return to him because of his purpose for your life. His name is Jehovah-Rapha, ‘the Lord that healeth thee’.

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*Conclusion*

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Jacob's hip was dislocated by God as a mark of divine surgery; God is working behind the scene, just allow him.

*“THERE IS A PAIN BEHIND THE GLORY”*

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*Conclusion*

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## Philippians 2:13 NIV

“for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose”.

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*Conclusion*