

Genesis: Back to Authenticity  
Patience, Plotting, and Peace  
Genesis 29-31

Life isn't easy, and what life does to us depends a great deal on what life finds in us. We all make important decisions on the road of life about marriage, children, career, and where we will live. Every decision is different, but every decision has one thing in common, us. Our decisions will do two things: they will reflect our character and determine our destiny.

1. Our faith in God should be stronger than our ability to make a deal.
2. Our faith in God causes others to be blessed by God.
3. Our faith in God should make us sensitive to His will for us.

Life isn't easy, but if we submit to God's disciplines and let Him guide us in our decisions, we can endure the difficulties triumphantly and develop the kind of character that glorifies God and His kingdom. God gives us the promise of victory throughout His Word, but we must be willing to trust verses like 1 Peter 5:10, "May the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen and settle you." The God of Jacob never fails.