

entrid in to the tente of Rachel,
 34 sche hastide, and hidde the idols vndur the strewyngis of the camel, and sat aboue. And sche seide to Laban, sekynge al the tente and fyndynge no thing,
 35 My lord, be not wrooth that Y may not rise bifore thee, for it bifelde now to me bi the custom of wymmen; so the bisynesse of the sekere was scorned.
 36 And Jacob bolnyde, and seide with strijff, For what cause of me, and for what synne of me, hast thou come so fersly aftir me,
 37 and hast souyt al `the portenaunce of myn hous? What `hast thou founde of al the catel of thin hows? Putte thou here bifore my britheren and thi britheren, and deme thei betwixe me and thee.
 38 Was I with thee herfore twenti yeer? Thi sheep and geet weren not bareyn, Y eet not the rammes of thi flok,
 39 nether Y schewide to thee ony thing takun of a beeste; Y yeldide al harm; what euer thing perischide bi thefte, thou axidist of me;
 40 Y was angwischid in dai and nytt with heete and frost, and sleep fledde fro myn iyen;
 41 so Y seruede thee bi twenti yeer in thin hows, fourtene yeer for thi douytris, and sixe yeer for thi flockis; and thou chaungidist my mede ten sithis.
 42 If God of my fadir Abraham, and the drede of Isaac hadde not helpid me, perauenture now thou haddist left me nakid; the Lord bihelde my turmentyng and the traueyl of myn hondis, and repreuyde thee yistirdai.
 43 Laban answeride hym, The douytris, and thi sones, and flockis, and alle thingis whiche thou seest, ben myne, what mai Y do to my sones, and to the sones of sones?
 44 Therfor come thou, and make we boond of pees, that it be witnessyng bitwixe me, and thee.
 45 And so Jacob took a stoon, and reiseide it in to a signe, and seide to hise britheren,
 46 Brynge ye stoonus; whiche gadriden, and maden an heep, and eten on it.
 47 And Laban clepide it the heep of wittnesse, and Jacob clepide it the heep of witnessyng; euer eithir clepide bi the proprete of his langage.
 48 And Laban seide, This heep schal be wittnesse bytwixe me and thee to day, and herfor the name therof was clepid Galaad, that is, the heep of wittnesse.
 49 And Laban addide, The Lord biholde, and deme bitwixe vs, whanne we schulen go awei fro yow;
 50 if thou schalt turmente my douytris, and if thou schal brynge yn othere wyues on hem, noon is wittnesse of oure word, outakun God, whiche is present, and biholdith.
 51 And eft he seide to Jacob, Lo! this heep, and stoon, whiche Y reiseide bitwixe me and thee, schal be wittnesse;
 52 sotheli this heep, and stoon be in to witnessyng, forsothe if Y schal passe it, and go to thee, ether thou shalt passe, and thenke yuel to me.
 53 God of Abraham, and God of Nachor, God of the fadir of hem, deme bitwixe vs. Therfor Jacob swoor by the drede of his fadir Ysaac;
 54 and whanne slayn sacrifices weren offridd in the hil, he clepyde his britheren to ete breed, and whanne thei hadden ete, thei dwelliden there.
 55 Forsothe Laban roos bi nytt, and kisside his sones, and douytris, and blesside hem, and turnede ayen in to his place.

Genesis 32

1 Forsothe Jacob wente forth in the weie in which he began, and the aungels of the Lord metten him.

2 And whanne he hadde seyn hem, he seide, These ben the castels of God; and he clepide the name of that place Manaym, that is, castels.
 3 Sotheli Jacob sente bifore him also messengeris to Esau, his brother, in to the lond of Seir, in the cuntrey of Edom;
 4 and comaundide to hem, and seide, Thus speke ye to my lord Esau, Thi brothir Jacob seith these thingis, Y was a pilgrym at Laban, `and Y was `til in to present dai;
 5 Y haue oxun, and assis, and scheep, and seruauntis, and hand maydis, and Y sende now a message to my lord, that Y fynde grace in thi siyt.
 6 And the messengeris turneden ayen to Jacob, and seiden, We camen to Esau, thi brother, and lo! he hastith in to thi comyng, with foure hundrid men.
 7 Jacob dredde greetli, and he was aferd, and departide the puple that was with hym, and he departide the flockis, and scheep, and oxun, and camels, in to twei cumpenyas;
 8 and seide, If Esau schal come to o cumpeny, and schal smyte it, the tothir cumpeny which is residue schal be saued.
 9 And Jacob seide, A! God of my fadir Abraham, and God of my fadir Isaac, A! Lord, that seidist to me, Turne thou ayen in to thi lond, and in to the place of thi birthe, and Y schal do wel to thee,
 10 Y am lesse than alle thi merciful doyngeis, and than thi treuthe which thou hast fillid to thi seruaunt; with my staf Y passide this Jordan, and now Y go ayen with twei cumpenyas;
 11 delyuere thou me fro the hond of my brothir Esau, for Y drede him greetli, lest he come and sle the modris with the sones.
 12 Thou spakist that thou schuldist do wel to me, and shuldist alarge my seed as the grauel of the see, that mai not be noumbrid for mychilnesse.
 13 And whanne Jacob hadde slept there in that nytt, he departide of tho thingis whiche he hadde yiftis to Esau, his brothir,
 14 two hundrid geet, and twenti buckis of geet, two hundrid scheep, and twenti rammys,
 15 camels fulle with her foolis thretti, fourti kyen, and twenti boolis, twenti sche assis, and ten foolis of hem.
 16 And he sente bi the hondis of his seruauntis alle flockis bi hem silf; and he seide to hise children, Go ye bifore me, and a space be betwixe flok and flok.
 17 And he comaundide to the formere, and seide, If thou schalt mete my brothir Esau, and he schal axe thee, whos man thou art, ether whidir thou goist, ether whos ben these thingis whiche thou suest,
 18 thou schalt answer, Of thi seruaunt Jacob, he hath sent yiftis to his lord Esau, and he cometh aftir vs.
 19 In lijk maner, he yaf comaundementis to the secoude, and to the thridde, and to alle that sueden flockis; and seide, Speke ye bi the same wordis to Esau,
 20 whanne ye fynden hym, and ye schulen adde, Also Jacob hym silf thi seruaunt sueth oure weie. For Jacob seide, Y schal plese Esau with yiftis that goon bifore, and aftirward Y schal se hym; in hap he schal be merciful to me.
 21 And so the yiftis yeden bifore hym; sotheli he dwellide in that nytt in the tentis.
 22 And whanne Jacob hadde arise auysseli, he took hise twei wyues, and so many seruauntessis with enleuen sones, and passide the forthe of Jaboth.
 23 And whanne alle thingis that perteyned to hym weren led ouer, he dwellide aloone, and, lo!
 24 a man wrastlide with him til to the morwetid.
 25 And whanne the man seiye that he miyte not ouercome Jacob, he touchide the senewe of Jacobis hiye, and it driede anoon.
 26 And he seide to Jacob, Leeue thou me, for the morewtid stieth