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CONFESSIONS

OF A

BIBLE POWER COUPLE

PART 1

JACOB AND LEAH (AND RACHEL)

“Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah had weak eyes, but Rachel had a lovely figure and was beautiful.” Genesis 29:16-17

JACOB'S PROBLEM:

HE _____ IN LOVE WITH _____ IN LOVE.

1. YOU'LL _____ MORE THAN YOU SHOULD

“Jacob was in love with Rachel and said, 'I'll work for you seven years in return for your younger daughter Rachel.’” Genesis 29:18

2. YOU'LL BECOME _____

“Then Jacob said to Laban, 'Give me my wife. My time is completed, and I want to lie with her.’” Genesis 29:21

Marriage as contract? Or marriage as covenant?

3. YOU'LL ALWAYS END UP _____

“But when evening came, (Laban) took his daughter Leah and gave her to Jacob, and Jacob lay with her... When morning came, there was Leah! So Jacob said to Laban, 'What is this you have done to me? I served you for Rachel, didn't I? Why have you deceived me?’” Genesis 29:23, 25

“When the Lord saw that Leah was not loved, he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. Leah became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She named him Reuben, for she said, 'It is because the Lord has seen my misery. Surely my husband will love me now.' She conceived again, and when she gave birth to a son she said, 'Because the LORD heard that I am not loved, he gave me this one too.' So she named him Simeon. Again she conceived, and when she gave birth to a son she said, 'Now at last my husband will become attached to me, because I have borne him three sons.' So he was named Levi.” Genesis 29:31-34

JESUS IS MY _____; MY SPOUSE IS MY _____.

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” Matthew 6:33

“She conceived again, and when she gave birth to a son she said, 'This time I will praise the Lord.' So she named him Judah. Then she stopped having children.” Genesis 29:35

**“DELIGHT YOURSELF ALSO IN THE LORD,
AND HE SHALL GIVE YOU THE DESIRES OF YOUR HEART.”
PSALM 37:4**

“There was never anyone like Ahab, who sold himself to do evil in the eyes of the LORD, urged on by Jezebel his wife.” 1 Kings 21:25

**Ahab represents the PASSIVE husband
Jezebel represents the CONTROLLING wife**

THE CONTROLLING WIFE

- _____ HER HUSBAND

“A quarrelsome wife is like the dripping of a leaky roof in a rainstorm.” Proverbs 27:15

“Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.” Proverbs 31:6

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue.” Proverbs 18:21

“What gets rewarded, gets repeated.”

- **IS QUICK TO** _____

“I’ll get you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.” 1 Kings 21:7b

“A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy habitation.” Psalm 68:5

THE PASSIVE HUSBAND

REJECTS HIS GOD-GIVEN CALL TO _____

WITH _____

“You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:42-45

**A PROVIDER FOR BODIES
A PROTECTOR FOR HEARTS
A PASTOR FOR SOULS**

“WIVES, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.
For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church... HUSBANDS, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.”
Ephesians 5:22-23, 25-27

PART 3 ABRAHAM AND SARAH

“Get out of your country, from your family and from your father’s house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing.” Genesis 12:1-2

“By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.” Hebrews 11:8

“If we are faithless, He remains faithful.” 2 Timothy 2:13

SYMPTOMS OF A SHORTAGE IN FAITH

1. WE ACT OUT OF _____, NOT _____.

“Please say you are my sister, that it may be well with me for your sake, and that I may live because of you.” Genesis 12:13

“Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?” Mark 4:40

“I have been young, and now am old; yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his descendants begging bread.” Psalm 37:25

“Everything you want in life is on the other side of fear.” Jack Canfield

2. WE GET _____ GOD.

“So Sarai said to Abram, “See now, the LORD has restrained me from bearing children. Please, go in to my maid; perhaps I shall obtain children by her.” And Abram heeded the voice of Sarai.” Genesis 16:1-2

“God is rarely early, but He’s never late.”

3. WE _____ OF THE PROMISE.

“Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart, “Shall a child be born to a man who is one hundred years old? And shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?” Genesis 17:17

“Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, “After I have grown old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?” And the LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, saying, ‘Shall I surely bear a child, since I am old?’ **IS ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR THE LORD?**”

Genesis 18:12-14

“And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah’s womb. He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.” Romans 4:19-21

FACTS can change; but

TRUTH stands forever.

PART 4

HOSEA AND GOMER

“When the Lord began to speak by Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea: 'Go, take yourself a wife of harlotry and children of harlotry, for the land has committed great harlotry by departing from the Lord.' So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.” (Hosea 1:2-3)

“For she said, ‘I will go after my lovers, who give me my bread and my water, my wool and my linen, my oil and my drink.’” (Hosea 2:5)

LIE: WHAT I'M _____ IS BETTER THAN WHAT I _____.

TRUTH: YOU REAP _____ YOU SOW.

WHEN TIMES GET TOUGH

OPTION 1 = _____

“For she did not know that I gave her grain, new wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold... Therefore I will return and take away my grain in its time and My new wine in its season, and will take back My wool and My linen, given to cover her nakedness. Now I will uncover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and no one shall deliver her from My hand.” (Hosea 2:8-10)

“I will punish her for the days of the Baals to which she burned incense. She decked herself with her earrings and jewelry, and went after her lovers; but Me she forgot,' says the Lord.” (Hosea 2:13)

OPTION 2 = _____

“Therefore, behold, I will allure her, will bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfort to her. I will give her her vineyards from there, and the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth.” (Hosea 2:14-15)

“The Lord said to me, 'Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another and is an adulteress. Love her as the Lord loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods...'" (Hosea 3:1)

LOVE AND FORGIVE AS _____ LOVED AND FORGIVEN.

**“For you were bought at a price;
therefore glorify God in your body
and in your spirit, which are God's.”
(1 Corinthians 6:20)**