

# (Genesis) Genesis 24:21-29

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*God's sovereignty and guidance are demonstrated through the story of the servant and Rebekah, highlighting the importance of a willing heart and the dangers of materialism.*

**Duration:** 2:09

**Scripture:** Genesis 24:21-22, Genesis 24:27-28, Matthew 6:33

**Topics:** "Genesis"

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## Description

In this sermon, the preacher focuses on the story of Abraham's servant finding a wife for Isaac. The servant acknowledges God's guidance and blessing in his journey to find a suitable bride. He meets Rebekah at a well and is amazed by her kindness and hospitality. The servant then presents her with valuable gifts and asks if there is room for them to lodge in her father's house. The preacher also warns the audience to be cautious of Laban, Rebekah's brother, who becomes materialistic later in the story.

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## Transcript

Now, will you notice, verse 21, "...and the man wondering at her held his peace to wit whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not." The servant, he just stands there in amazement. He's wondering whether this is it, whether God is leading or not. He believes He is.

Verse 22, "...it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden earring of half a shekel weight and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekel weight of gold, and said, Whose daughter art thou? Tell me, I pray thee, is there in thy father's house room for us to lodge in? She said unto him, I am the daughter of Bethuel, the son of Melchah, which she barren to Nahor, and Nahor's brother Abraham. She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough and room to lodge in. And the man bowed down his head and worshipped the Lord." He sees the hand of God in it.

It's wonderful to have God leading and guiding, isn't it? And notice here, verse 27, he said, "...Blessed be the Lord God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth, I being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my master's brethren." And that is a great statement there, "...I being in the way, the Lord led me." And the Lord leads those that are in the way, that is, that are in His way, that are wanting to be led, that will be led of Him, that will do what He wants done. God can lead a willing heart anytime. Now, verse 28, "...And the damsel ran and told them of a mother's house these things.

And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban, and Laban ran out unto the man unto the whale." And friends, right here, let me warn you, keep your eye on Uncle Laban. He'll bear watching at this point and from here on. He was greatly impressed by material things.

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