

Parting Ways part 2

Genesis 31:36-55



Jacob declares independence.

- Genesis 31:36-42
- Compare to July 4, 1776
- Romans 15:4

Jacob and Laban agree to go separate ways.

- Genesis 31:43-55
- A “witness heap” to the boundary and the way of life
- “Mizpah” = “watchtower”
- “Mizpah” has been taken out of context.

The meaning determined by the context of scripture always trumps personal interpretation.

- There are several layers of context.
- Context provides safe boundaries as we determine what Scripture means.
- There is one meaning – many applications.

