

Grandpa Devotional #39

Rebekah leaves

Read Genesis 24:50-60

50 Laban and Bethuel answered, "This is from the LORD; we can say nothing to you one way or the other.

51 Here is Rebekah; take her and go, and let her become the wife of your master's son, as the LORD has directed."

52 When Abraham's servant heard what they said, he bowed down to the ground before the LORD.

53 Then the servant brought out gold and silver jewelry and articles of clothing and gave them to Rebekah; he also gave costly gifts to her brother and to her mother.

54 Then he and the men who were with him ate and drank and spent the night there. When they got up the next morning, he said, "Send me on my way to my master."

55 But her brother and her mother replied, "Let the young woman remain with us ten days or so; then you may go."

56 But he said to them, "Do not detain me, now that the LORD has granted success to my journey. Send me on my way so I may go to my master."

57 Then they said, "Let's call the young woman and ask her about it."

58 So they called Rebekah and asked her, "Will you go with this man?" "I will go," she said.

59 So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way, along with her nurse and Abraham's servant and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "Our sister, may you increase to thousands upon thousands; may your offspring possess the cities of their enemies."

What did Laban and Bethuel realize (v. 50)? That the servant was telling the truth and he was doing God's will in finding a wife for Isaac.

What did they tell the servant (v. 51)? You can take Rebekah back home to be Isaac's wife.

What was the first thing the servant did (v. 52)? He prayed. He probably praised God for helping him to find Rebekah.

What was the next thing he did (v. 53)? He gave expensive presents to Rebekah, her mother and her brother.

After spending the night, what did the servant say in the morning (v. 54)? It's time for us to leave now.

How did the mother and brother respond (v. 55)? Let Rebekah stay with us for another ten days and then you can go.

What did the servant say to them (v. 56)? It's time to go now.

What did the mother and brother say next (v. 57)? Let's ask Rebekah and see what she wants to do.

When they asked Rebekah, what did she say (v. 58)? Yes. I will go. **What does that tell us about Rebekah?** She trusted God. She knew it was God's will for her to go. This was probably the first time Rebekah had ever left home and she probably would never return. She had courage to do the right thing.

What happened then (vv. 59-60)? The family blessed Rebekah and sent her on her way.

