

Shabbat School Devarim: Vayishlach “and [Ya’akov] sent”

SUBJECT	TEACHER	HEBREW DATE	DATE
Faith over fear	Rebbitzen Pammy, Cathy Harris	16 Kislev 5786	12/06/2025

OVERVIEW: HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REALLY AFRAID?

TEACHER GUIDE

STUDENT GUIDE

INTRODUCTION “OPENING” 5 MINUTES	Say to them: “Shalom Yeladim” (sha-LOAM Ye-la-DEEM). Tell them how to respond: Shalom Morim	Say Shema, Pledge of Allegiance. What is fear?
IDENTITY: B'NEI ISRAEL/BRIT AHM 5 MINUTES	Hebrew: יָרֵא Part of Speech: Adjective Transliteration: yare' Pronunciation: yah-ray Meaning: afraid, fear (-ful) When G-D returns will you be ready?!”	Who is Ya'akov afraid of?
IDENTITY: HEARER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Read Portions: Bereshit 32:4-36:43 (32:1-12) extended Obadiah 1:1-21 (1:1-21) extended Corinthians Alef 5:1-13 (5:1-13) Learn our memory verse for the year 5786.>>	Memory Verse: Yeshayahu 41:10 ¹⁰ Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Surely I will help you. I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.
IDENTITY: BELIEVER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Ask: Why is Ya'akov afraid.	Discuss: What does Ya'akov do?
IDENTITY: FOLLOWER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Ask: Who is Edom? What does the word Edom/Esau mean?	Discuss: What is the reason G-D gives for destroying Edom?

IDENTITY: DOER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Who we are is largely dependent upon what we do; we overcome fear with faith in G-D!	Ask: Does Yeshua take sin seriously?
GAME/ACTIVITY	The Fence	<<-what if you are not afraid, but are apathetic?
HOMEWORK 3 MINUTES	Our letter of the month of Kislev is alef. Look around shul for something that begins with a vowel sound; "Shavua tov, until next week!"	Close with prayer: say out loud what you are grateful for and things you need prayer for today.

NEED

- Bible

Rabbi's Drash:**RESOURCES**

- Pledges & Shema
- Shabbat Guide

NOTES

The first goal is to approach all scripture with humility and prayer.

This week, we are continuing reading about the life of Jacob as he begins his journey back to the land of his fathers which Ad-nai had promised to Abraham, Isaac, and now Jacob and his descendants. We read in the verse below, found in Genesis 32:8:

Genesis 32:8 So Jacob became extremely afraid and distressed. He divided the people with him, along with the flocks and herds and camels, into two camps,

This verse should make us all think back to last week's parsha when Ad-nai promised that He would take care of Jacob and watch after him and bring him home. Yet, when Jacob received word brought by his messengers from Esau, he seems to have forgotten that promise and was overcome by fear, dividing his family into two camps.

This week's question is how many times have we acted out of fear even when we knew Ad-nai's promises to us, just as Jacob did?