

# ***Trinity Bible Church***

*The Carpenter's House*

**April 3, 2011**

*The Message:  
Mandrakes and Minsets*

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*Please join us for refreshments between services*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sunday Apr 3 The Lord's Table.  
Wednesday Apr 6 Angelic Conflict- Wrap Up, Q & A.  
Saturday Apr 9 Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ The Runway Café.  
Sunday Apr 17 Deacons' Meeting.  
Sunday Apr 24 Resurrection Celebration.

- \*\* New Directories are available. Please take what you need.
- \*\* Thanksgiving that the Benevolence Fund now has benevolent funds.
- \*\* Be in prayer for the Promises Book. Dan's notebook was stolen with all the working papers in it. Please resend the work you have done as soon as possible. Please email them at [danhardy09@gmail.com](mailto:danhardy09@gmail.com)

	February	Total 2011	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions YTD
Income	\$ 11,451.00	\$18,211.00			\$1,735.00
Expenses	7,782.38	15,199.25			2,660.00
Balance	\$ 3,368.62	\$ 3,011.75	\$17,902.11	\$ 7,303.89	\$-925.00

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

*The Lord's Table*

*Message:*

*Being a Witness in the Last Days*

## Mandrakes and Mindsets. Genesis 30:14-24

### Genesis 30:9-10 = Two Can Play-Leah Sends a Substitute.

L.T. When Leah saw that she had stopped bearing, she took her maid Zilpah and gave her to Jacob as a wife. (10) Leah's maid Zilpah bore Jacob a son.

### Genesis 30:11-13 = Good Fortune.

L.T. Then Leah said, "How fortunate!" So she named him Gad. (12) Leah's maid Zilpah bore Jacob a second son. (13) Then Leah said, "Happy am I! For women will call me happy." So she named him Asher.

Principle: Self-centeredness can quickly \_\_\_\_\_ true praise to God.

n. The Mandrake Surprise. 30:14-24

### Genesis 30:14 = Rachel's Request.

L.T. Now in the days of wheat harvest Reuben went and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them to his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, "Please give me some of your son's mandrakes."

Principle: \_\_\_\_\_ leads to other spiritual problems.

Principle: \_\_\_\_\_ practices are clearly not God's will.

### Genesis 30:15 = The Deal.

L.T. But she said to her, "Is it a small matter for you to take my husband? And would you take my son's mandrakes also?" So Rachel said, "Therefore he may lie with you tonight in return for your son's mandrakes."

Principle: Desperate people can easily resort to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Genesis 30:16 = Glad to See You.

L.T. When Jacob came in from the field in the evening, then Leah went out to meet him and said, "To me, you must come, for hiring I have hired you with my son's mandrakes." So he lay with her that night.

Principle: At times the \_\_\_\_\_ of other's weaknesses seems to work.

### Genesis 30:17 = Leah Prayed.

L.T. So Elohim listened to Leah, and she conceived and bore Jacob a fifth son.

Principle: Even with all the sinful competition going on, Leah stopped to \_\_\_\_\_ and God heard.

Principle: No where you are spiritually, \_\_\_\_\_ is always a good thing.

Genesis 30:18 = Thus, Issachar.

L.T. Then Leah said, "Elohim has given me my wages because I gave my maid to my husband." So she named him Issachar.

Principle: Spiritual immaturity can mistakenly attribute the success of a \_\_\_\_\_ plan to the Lord.

Genesis 30:19-20 = Number 6 for Leah, Number 10 for Jacob.

L.T. Leah conceived again and bore a sixth son to Jacob. (20) Then Leah said, "Elohim has endowed me with a good dowry; now my husband will dwell with me, because I have borne him six sons." So she named him Zebulun.

Principle: True \_\_\_\_\_ is not for sale.

Genesis 30:21 = Oops!

L.T. Afterward she bore a daughter and named her Dinah.

Principle: Obsessive pursuit of a particular blessing leads us to not \_\_\_\_\_ other blessings.

Genesis 30:22 = Rachel Prays, God Hears.

L.T. Then Elohim remembered Rachel, and Elohim heard her and opened her womb.

Principle: Prayer should be the first thing we do concerning our \_\_\_\_\_.

Genesis 30:23-24 = Rachel's Analysis.

L.T. So she conceived and bore a son and said, "Elohim has taken away my reproach." (24) She named him Joseph, saying, "May Yahweh add to me another son."

Principle: Some people are never \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord's provision.

Principle: Dissatisfaction with God never produces \_\_\_\_\_.

## *Being a Witness in the Last Days*

9. The “Last Days” of the Church will be known for its \_\_\_\_\_.  
 2 Tim 3:1-5
- A. Introduction:
- B. Get Ready. 2 Tim 3:1 (L.T). But know this, that in last days, savage seasons will come.
- C. Eight Characteristics of the Last Days. 2 Tim 3:2

For men will be:

(1) lovers of self = PHILOTOS = Narcissistic,

Marker: when the first reaction is “how does this affect \_\_\_\_\_?”

Recovery: \_\_\_\_\_ others like Jesus did. John 13

Maturity: when others are more \_\_\_\_\_. Php 2:3

(2) lovers of money = PHILARGUROS = greedy,

Marker: majority of thought is accumulation or keeping of \_\_\_\_\_.

Recovery: \_\_\_\_\_ to give. 2 Cor 9:5

Maturity: when \_\_\_\_\_ giving. 2 Cor 9:6-11

(3) boastful = ALADZON = pretenders,

Marker: impressed with one’s worldly \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

Recovery: Recognize the \_\_\_\_\_ battle and fight. 2 Cor 10:3-5

Maturity: what I am is by the \_\_\_\_\_ of God. 1 Cor 15:10

(4) arrogant = HUPER8PHANOS = elitists,

Marker: considering oneself better than others because of an attitude of \_\_\_\_\_ in intellect or things.

Recovery: be \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ (Gal 2:20) and \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Pet 5:6

Maturity: see others as \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ. Gal 3:26-29

**(5) revilers = BLASPH8MOS = blasphemers,**

Marker: speaking anything \_\_\_\_\_ to God's revelation of Himself.

Recovery: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to God's truth about Himself. 2 Pet 3:3-13

Maturity: \_\_\_\_\_ in the sovereignty of God. Php 4:12-13

**(6) disobedient to parents = "parents" followed by APEITH8S = by parents unpersuaded,**

Marker: those taught Christian standards but have \_\_\_\_\_ from them.

Recovery: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Father's will. John 7:17

Maturity: \_\_\_\_\_ of the teaching of spiritual parents.

**(7) ungrateful = ACHARISTOS = without grace**

Marker: more interested in \_\_\_\_\_ toward wrongdoers than \_\_\_\_\_.

Recovery: Recognize God's \_\_\_\_\_ in your own life. Titus 2:11-14

Maturity: wanting God's grace to \_\_\_\_\_ more people. 1 Tim 2:4

**(8) unholy = ANOSIOS = not experientially holy,**

Marker: no \_\_\_\_\_ for moral and ethical standards in self or society

Recovery: decision to \_\_\_\_\_. Eph 6:12

Maturity: live a moral and ethical \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Tim 1:8-10