

Jacob had a lot of sons! But can you match the names to their meanings?

REUBEN

TO WRESTLE

SIMEON

FORTUNATE (LUCKY)

LEVI

BEHOLD, A SON

JUDAH

HE WILL BE COMPENSATED (PAID FOR)

DAN

PRAISE (THANKS)

NAPHTALI

SON OF MY RIGHT HAND (FAVOURITE SON)

GAD

JOINED

ASHER

BLESSED (HAPPY)

ISSACHAR

GOD IS MY JUDGE

ZEBULUN

LISTENING

JOSEPH

HE WILL ENLARGE

BENJAMIN

TO EXALT (HONOUR)

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As Jacob's family grew in size, his life became more and more complicated. But the size of his family was significant: it was not only a whole football team (plus one substitute), but this was also evidence that God was fulfilling the promises he had made to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (read Genesis 28:14).

Eventually, the names of Jacob's sons would become the names of the 12 tribes of Israel.

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