**Jacob and Sons**

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Way, way back many centuries ago,

Not long after the Bible began,  
Jacob lived in the land of Canaan,

A fine example of a family man.  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Depended on farming to earn their keep.  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Spent all of their days in the fields with sheep.

Jacob was the founder of a whole new nation,

Thanks to the number of children he'd had.  
He was also known as Israel but most of the time

His sons and his wives used to call him dad.  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

Men of the soil of the sheaf and crook.  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

A remarkable family in anyone's book.

Reuben was the eldest of the children of Israel,  
With Simeon and Levi the next in line.  
Napthali and Isaachar with Asher and Dan,  
Zebulum and Gad took the total to nine.

Jacob, Jacob and sons, Benjamin and Judah, which leaves only one.  
Jacob, Jacob and sons, Joseph, Jacob's favourite son.

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Jacob, Jacob, Jacob, Jacob and sons,