


HISTORY

DISCOVERING JESUS IN GENESIS

Jesus in Jacob's Story of Redemption

Genesis 28-33



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THE WORSHIP

Genesis 28:10-22

10 Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. *11* He reached a certain place and spent the night there because the sun had set. He took one of the stones from the place, put it there at his head, and lay down in that place. *12* And he dreamed: A stairway was set on the ground with its top reaching the sky, and God's angels were going up and down on it. *13* The LORD was standing there beside him, saying, "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your offspring the land on which you are lying. *14* Your offspring will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out toward the west, the east, the north, and the south. All the peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring."

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15 Look, I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go. I will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." *16* When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." *17* He was afraid and said, "What an awesome place this is! This is none other than the house of God. This is the gate of heaven." *18* Early in the morning Jacob took the stone that was near his head and set it up as a marker. He poured oil on top of it *19* and named the place Bethel, though previously the city was named Luz.

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20 Then Jacob made a vow: "If God will be with me and watch over me during this journey I'm making, if he provides me with food to eat and clothing to wear, *21* and if I return safely to my father's family, then the LORD will be my God. *22* This stone that I have set up as a marker will be God's house, and I will give to you a tenth of all that you give me."

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THE WORSHIP

An Awareness of God



John 1:51 Then he said, "Truly I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."



Connection

Just as the Stairway in Jacob's Dream Connects Heaven and Earth Jesus Is the Only Connection Between Heaven and Earth

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THE WORSHIP

A Commitment to God

Genesis 28:22

This stone that I have set up as a marker will be God's house, and I will give to you a tenth of all that you give me.

10% tithe

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THE WRESTLING

Genesis 32:7
*Jacob was **greatly afraid** and distressed; he divided the people with him into two camps, along with the flocks, herds, and camels.*

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THE WRESTLING

Genesis 32:24-32
*²⁴Jacob was **left alone**, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he could not defeat him, he struck Jacob's hip socket as they wrestled and dislocated his hip. ²⁶Then he said to Jacob, "Let me go, for it is daybreak." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷"What is your name?" the man asked. "Jacob," he replied. ²⁸"Your name will no longer be Jacob," he said. "It will be Israel because you have struggled with God and with men and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he answered, "Why do you ask my name?" And he blessed him there.*

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Genesis 32:24-32
*³⁰Jacob then named the place Peniel, "For I have seen **God face to face**," he said, "yet my life has been spared." ³¹The sun shone on him as he passed by Peniel—limping because of his hip. ³²That is why, still today, the Israelites don't eat the thigh muscle that is at the hip socket: because he struck Jacob's hip socket at the thigh muscle.*

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THE WRESTLING

Alone ⇨ Wrestle ⇨ Change

Genesis 32:7
*Jacob was **greatly afraid** and distressed; he divided the people with him into two camps, along with the flocks, herds, and camels.*

Genesis 32:24
*Jacob was **left alone**, and a man **wrestled with him** until daybreak.*

Genesis 32:30
*For I have seen **God face to face**.*

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CONNECTION

A Pre-Incarnate Appearance of the Lord Jesus

This Struggle Is Symbolic of Your Own Wrestling With God
and Your Need for Transformation Through the Lord Jesus

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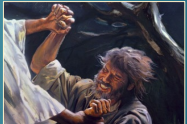
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THE WRESTLING

Alone ⇨ Wrestle ⇨ Change

Genesis 32:24-25
*²⁴Jacob was **left alone**, and a man **wrestled with him** until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he could not defeat him, **he struck Jacob's hip socket as they wrestled and dislocated his hip.***



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Genesis 32:26
Then he said to Jacob, "Let me go, for it is daybreak." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."



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Genesis 32:27-28
27 "What is your name?" the man asked. "Jacob," he replied.
28 "Your name will no longer be Jacob," he said. "It will be Israel because you have struggled with God and with men and have prevailed."

God Had to Break Jacob in Order to Bless Him

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Jesus Delights in Using Broken Things



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If You Want to Be Blessed, You've Got to Be Broken

BROKEN

1 Corinthians 11:31
If we were properly judging ourselves, we would not be judged.

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No Blessedness Without Brokenness

BROKEN

Hebrews 11:21
By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and he worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff.

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