Genesis 28:10-22

¹⁰ Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. ¹² Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder *was* set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

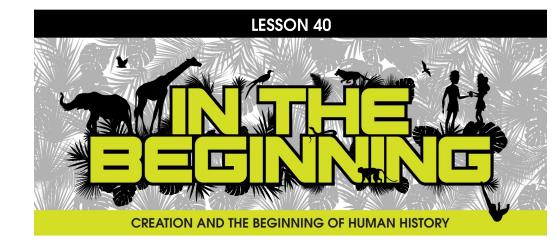
¹³ And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: "I *am* the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. ¹⁴ Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. ¹⁵ Behold, I *am* with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."

¹⁶Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know *it."* ¹⁷ And he was afraid and said, "How awesome *is* this place! This *is* none other than the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven!"

¹⁸ Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it. ¹⁹ And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously. ²⁰ Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, ²¹ so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God. ²² And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."



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THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What happens when we trust God completely?

LESSON RHYME

D—D—Dream
A stairway to the sky
D—D—Dream
God spoke down from high

Level 2—Parent Notes:

- <u>Daily Reading</u>: Read the entire booklet to the child. Go back
 to the appropriate day, reread the content and have the child
 answer questions about it from the <u>Daily Reading Questions</u> at
 the back of the booklet. Include personal ideas and additional
 questions. Read and discuss the daily Bible verse if appropriate
 for the child. Have the child draw a picture related to the content.
- <u>Lesson Rhyme</u>: Read the Lesson Rhyme on the next page, saying the sound of the letter instead of its name. Point to each word as you read it. Discuss the meaning of the rhyme. Have the child trace the letter with a finger and say its sound. Practice with the child the signs that go along with the Lesson Rhyme (included below). Review and repeat the rhyme every day.
- <u>Concluding Lesson</u>: Complete the activities under <u>Concluding Lesson</u> at the back of the book.
- <u>Completion</u>: If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson rhyme memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- Way to go, parents! Your faithfulness in teaching your children
 the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors
 God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work!
 Remember Galatians 6:9, And let us not grow weary while doing
 good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Lesson Rhyme Signs

D—D Make sign of "D"

Dream Put hands to side of head like sleeping
A stairway Move hand up like climbing stairs

to the sky

Look up at hand lifted up really high

D—D—Dream Same as above

God spoke down Lift arms up above head

from high Tilt head down



This	week	learned

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: Why did Jacob have to leave his home?

<u>Day 2</u>: What did Jacob's parents send him off to do? What was Jacob's plan?

<u>Day 3</u>: What happened in Jacob's dream? What did God say to him?

<u>Day 4</u>: What was the promise passed on to Jacob? Why didn't Jacob deserve God's blessing?

<u>Day 5</u>: What did God say he would do for Jacob? What did Jacob do in response to what God said?

<u>Day 6</u>: Why does God take care of us? What should we do to God? What does mean to put your faith in God and hold tight to him?

Concluding Lesson

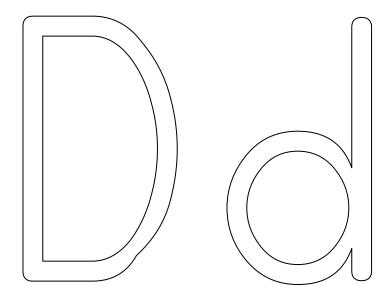
<u>Review</u>: Why did Jacob have to leave his home? What did Jacob's parents send him off to do? What happened in Jacob's dream? What was the promise passed on to Jacob? Why didn't Jacob deserve God's blessing?

<u>Prayer</u>: Thank God that he is good and blesses us even though we don't deserve his blessing. Thank God for all the ways he watches over you and takes care of you.

<u>Application</u>: What are ways you show that you trust God? What are ways you show that you don't trust God?

<u>Dictation</u>: Have the child dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson. Have the child repeat back the dictation, trace over the letters and draw a picture to go with it.

#40 What was Jacob's dream?



D—D—Dream
A stairway to the sky
D—D—Dream
God spoke down from high

Day 1 Draw a picture of Jacob saying good-bye.

Jacob had to leave his home because he had done wrong. The birthright he had stolen, which to Esau did belong. Esau planned to kill him as their father soon would die. So Jacob had to hurry off, to his parents say good-bye.

Genesis 27:42-44: ⁴² And the words of Esau her older son were told to Rebekah. So she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said to him, "Surely your brother Esau comforts himself concerning you *by intending* to kill you. ⁴³ Now therefore, my son, obey my voice: arise, flee to my brother Laban in Haran. ⁴⁴ And stay with him a few days, until your brother's fury turns away,

Day 6 Draw a picture of you praying

God is faithful to us,
even though we sin.

He will take care of us
when we put our faith in him.

God is good and holy
as he always does what's right.

And he will be our God,
if to him we do hold tight.

Genesis 28:20-21: ²⁰ Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, ²¹ so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God.

Day 5 Draw a picture of the pillar Jacob made.

God did say through Jacob
that all nations would be blessed.
And God would never leave him
as he traveled east and west.
Then Jacob made a pillar
to honor God on high.
It was a lasting monument
to people passing by.

Genesis 28:16-17: ¹⁶ Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know *it.*" ¹⁷ And he was afraid and said, "How awesome *is* this place! This *is* none other than the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven!"

Day 2 Draw a picture of Jacob sleeping.

His parents sent him off to find a wife from Rebekah's clan. Coming back again one day, was part of Jacob's plan. While he was on his journey, he stopped to spend the night. A dream it gave him comfort in the middle of his flight.

<u>Genesis 28:1-2</u>: ¹ Then Isaac called Jacob and blessed him, and charged him, and said to him: "You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan. ² Arise, go to Padan Aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's father; and take yourself a wife from there of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother.

Day 3 Draw a picture of Jacob's dream

In his dream were angels
coming down from high,
On a staircase reaching
from the ground into the sky.
God spoke to him from heaven
and said Jacob shouldn't fear,
As God would be his God
and with him would stay near.

<u>Genesis 28:12-13</u>: ¹² Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: "I am the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants.

Day 4 Draw a picture of Jacob waking up.

The vow God made to Abraham
to Jacob now belonged.

Though he had tricked his father
and his brother he had wronged.

God passed down to Jacob
the promise of the land,

Saying his descendants
would be as numerous as the sand.

<u>Genesis 28:14-15</u>: ¹⁴Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."