

Sunday, March 9, 2025

GENERATIONS

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Failure is not Final
Genesis 28:10-22

Three Facts

1. We have all _____

2. We all _____

3. We all _____

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Study Guide

For the week of March 9, 2025

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

Read Genesis 28:10-12.

Was this “ladder” the type of device we think of today?

Why does it say “he came to a certain place”?

What is the inference in using “certain” to describe this place?

What does the ladder represent? **See John 1:51.**

Read Genesis 28:13-14. Why do you suppose God introduces Himself to Jacob the way that He does?

What is the nature of the first two promises God makes to Jacob? ***Point:*** *The first promises have to do with God’s overall will and calling for Jacob’s life, tying him to a greater spiritual heritage both from his past and to come in the future; a bridge between spiritual generations, so to speak.*

Read Genesis 28:15. What is the nature of God’s third promise to Jacob?

Point: *This is the pattern of God’s working in every person of every age and generation, that we are called to continue and participate in the spiritual legacy begun through our spiritual fathers before us that continues to this day, but in the process personally called to individual faith and fellowship in Him.*

Read Genesis 28:16-17. How does Jacob’s statement in v.16 relate back to v.11?

What does Jacob’s statement in v.16 indicate about the condition of his own spiritual walk?

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What is the sequence of Jacob's reactions? How might we relate to it?

How are Jacob's descriptions of this place also descriptions of the Messiah?

Read Genesis 28:18-22. Why does Jacob pour oil on the stone?

Observation: There are MANY references to God as the Rock. (For instance, [Deuteronomy 32:4](#) and [1 Corinthians 10:4](#).) It may be worthwhile to compare these verses with similar references to "rock" in your concordance.

Is this the first significant event recorded as having taken place at Bethel? (See **Genesis 12:6-9**)

Is Jacob trying to strike a bargain or dictate terms to God?

How would you characterize the things Jacob lists that should be provided by God?

Beyond just the aspect of giving back to God, what is significant about Jacob's promise concerning the pillar he has set up in Bethel?

What personal needs has the Holy Spirit exposed during this study?

How can we pray with you about those needs?

*Consider memorizing
Genesis 28:15.*

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