

**Jacob's Dream**  
**May 11, 2014**

**Review**

- BEGINNINGS—OF THE HUMAN RACE; OF THE HEBREW RACE
- FOUR EVENTS: CREATION, FALL, FLOOD, NATIONS
- FOUR PEOPLE: ABRAHAM, ISAAC, JACOB, JOSEPH

Creation→Adam and Eve→The Fall→Noah and the Flood→Tower of Babel→Abraham and Sarah→God Calls Abraham→Isaac and Ishmael→Abraham Offers Isaac→A wife for Isaac→Jacob and Esau→Jacob's Lie—Jacob's Dream

**The whole Bible points to God's desire and plan to bring people into a relationship with Him!**

**Genesis 28:10-22**

Here is what we see in Jacob's dream

**1) God was speaking- Genesis 28:12-15**

**a. Of Jesus**

**John 1:51** *He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man. ---JESUS!*

**John 1:14** *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

Only way to heaven is Jesus

God is speaking of Jesus hundreds of years before His birth.

**b. Through Remembrance**

God was reminding Jacob that He was the God of those who were before him and of the great things He had done. It's good to be reminded of what God has done.

**c. The Promise**

**Genesis 12:8** *From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.*

Bethel- House of God

**d. His Presence**

*God would always be with him- God is always with us!  
He would see the promise through- He will see His promise through. John 3:16*

**2) Jacob recognized God was speaking – Genesis 28:16-17**

Jacob was in awe and afraid!

When God speaks don't minimize it or ignore it!

God's obvious speaking and the still small voice—how to determine God is speaking?

- Does it align with His Word?
- Is it immoral, unethical, or unbiblical?
- Am I in tune with God?

**Hebrews 3:15** *Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion.*

Be careful what you give credit to God for and what He says.

**3) Jacob's Response- Genesis 28:18-22**

He recognized it was God

Set up a remembrance of God speaking- we need to share with our kids and others the things that God has done. 12 stones journal!

Jacob reaffirms what God says (20-22)

Recognized all belongs to God...what God had given him, he would give a tenth.

Natural living- This is all there is, take care of # 1, live for today, see only the visible, connects to the fleshly

**Versus**

Supernatural living- Connects to the spiritual, there has to be more, I want to be up to what God is doing, See beyond the visible, God is in control!

Has God spoken to you?

Have you recognized Him speaking or are you ignoring Him?

What is your response?