

CLIMB WK 1 - CREATED TO CLIMB

WE ARE CALL TO BE A PREVAILING CHURCH!

Genesis 28:10-17 ¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. ¹² And he dreamed, and behold, **there was a ladder** set up on the earth, and the **top of it reached to heaven**. And behold, the **angels of God were ascending and descending** on it! ¹³ And behold, the Lord stood above it and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring.

IMPORTANT NOTES here:

- Jacob was DREAMING (Peter had a Vision; got to see it) (Acts 2 Dreams vs Visions)
- God REVEALED a Ladder "there WAS a Ladder" (compared to Tower of Babel)

When we try to BUILD it Causes CONFUSION

When we Let Him REVEAL He gives New REVELATION

(This is the difference between works-Based RELIGION & Faith-Based RELATIONSHIP)

¹⁴ Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth 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 promised you." 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**."

House of God= Gate to Heaven

House of God in NT= People of God

God's uses His People as the Gateway to Heaven

Problem: God is WILLING....but WE are the CEILING (ex: none should perish)

We build a ROOF to Protect us where God wanted a STAIRWAY to the Next Level

The CLIMB is about CONNECTING w/ GOD

JESUS IS THE LADDER

John 1:51 ⁵¹ And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The CLIMB Begins when we BECOME AWARE of God's Presence

We're not just EXHIBITING GOD But EXPERIENCING GOD

It is THERE that GOD SPEAKS

Ex 25:22 ²² And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.

- Correction—Wrong WAY!!! Not a Bad thing
- Direction- this is the RIGHT way.... HOW OFTEN do we need DIRECTION?
- Inspiration "Destination Ahead." Signs Inspire along the Way