**In GEN 28: Jacob Heads Up North To Find A Wife!**

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**1) Isaac Confirms The BLESSING To Jacob.**

*So Isaac called for* ***Jacob and blessed****him. Then he* ***commanded*** *him: “Do not marry a Canaanite woman.****2****Go at once to Paddan Aram, to the house of your mother’s father Bethuel.****Take a wife*** *for yourself there, from among the daughters of Laban, your mother’s brother.* ***3****May* ***God Almighty******bless you*** *and make you* ***fruitful****and increase your numbers*

*until you become a* ***community*** *of peoples.****4****May he give you and your* ***descendants*** *the blessing given to Abraham, so that you may take* ***possession of the land****where you now reside as a foreigner, the land God gave to Abraham.”* Genesis 28:1-4

**2) Esau Affirms His CARNALITY.**

***6****Now Esau learned that Isaac had blessed Jacob and had sent him to Paddan Aram to take a wife from there, and that when he blessed him he commanded him, “****Do not marry a Canaanite*** *woman,”****7****and that Jacob had obeyed his father and mother and had gone to Paddan Aram. 8****Esau then realized*** *how displeasing the Canaanite women were to his father Isaac;****9****so he went to Ishmael and married Mahalath, the sister of Nebaioth and daughter of Ishmael son of Abraham,* ***in addition to the wives*** *he already had.* Genesis 28:6-9

### 3) Jacob’s JOURNEY To Get A Wife.

### *10Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. 11When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep.*

### *12He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.* Genesis 28:10-12

### 4) Jacob’s 1st Life-Changing Moment With God.

### *13There above itstood the Lord, and he said: “I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. 14Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. 15I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”* Genesis 28:14-15

### *16When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” 17He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.”* Genesis 28:16-17

*18Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a* ***pillar****and poured* ***oil*** *on top of it. 19He called that place* ***Bethel****, though the city used to be called Luz. 20Then Jacob made a* ***vow****, saying, “****If God*** *will* ***be with me*** *and will* ***watch over me****on this journey I am taking and will* ***give me food*** *to eat and* ***clothes*** *to wear*

***21****so that* ***I return safely****to my father’s household, then the Lord will*

*be my God****22****andthis stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God’s house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth.”*Gen 28:18-22

***51****He then added, “Very truly I tell you, youwill see ‘****heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on’the Son of Man****.”* John 1:51