

# Jacob, a Ladder, Jesus, and You

## I. Jacob

- A. He was a grandson of \_\_\_\_\_ (*Gen 12:1-3*) and a son of \_\_\_\_\_ (*Gen 26:2-5*).
- B. His name meant “*he \_\_\_\_\_*,” and Jacob was living up to the description.
  - 1. He had convinced his older brother Esau to “sell” his birthright (*Gen 25:29-34*).
  - 2. He had deceived his father Isaac into blessing him as if he were the firstborn (*Gen 27:1-40*).
- C. Now, Esau is simply waiting for the right time to kill his brother Jacob (*Gen 27:41-45*).

## II. A Ladder

- A. Jacob is on the way to Haran, to his uncle Laban, “*until [Esau’s] fury turns away*” (*Gen 28:10-11*).
- B. “*And he \_\_\_\_\_*...” (*Gen 28:12-15*)
  - 1. “*There was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven.*”
  - 2. “*The \_\_\_\_\_ of God were ascending and descending on it!*” (*Zech 1:10; Heb 1:14*)
  - 3. “*The LORD stood above it and said...*”
- C. “*Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said...*” (*Gen 28:16-22*)
  - 1. “*Surely the \_\_\_\_\_ is in this place, and I did not know it.*”
  - 2. “*How awesome is this place!*”
  - 3. “*This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of \_\_\_\_\_.*”
  - 4. “*...then the LORD shall be my God...*”

## III. Jesus

- A. John has announced “*the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, who takes away the sin of the world!*” (*John 1:29*).
- B. Jesus has encouraged the first disciples to “*Come and you will see*” (*John 1:35-42*).
- C. The next day, he finds Philip and says to him, “*\_\_\_\_\_ me*” (*John 1:43-51*).
- D. Philip finds Nathanael, who is very skeptical, but quickly changes his estimation (*1:45-51*).
  - 1. Nathanael: “*Truly the Son of \_\_\_\_\_ is in this place, and I did not know it.*”
  - 2. Nathanael: “*How awesome is Jesus of Nazareth, the King of Israel!*”
  - 3. Jesus: “*You will see heaven \_\_\_\_\_, and the angels of God...*”
  - 4. Jesus: “*Are you willing to recognize and follow me as Savior and Lord?*”

## IV. You

- A. Jesus serves as the only \_\_\_\_\_ between heaven and earth, God and men (*John 14:1-7*).
- B. Jesus is the one and only “*\_\_\_\_\_*” (*1 Tim 2:1-7; Heb 9:15-28; 12:18-29*).