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Lesson #20--JACOB'S LADDER
Scripture: Genesis 27:41-28:22

TO HELP US STUDY:

1. What did Esau decide to do after Jacob tricked him out of the blessing? _____

2. Who warned Jacob to run? _____
3. What reason did she give to father Isaac for Jacob's leaving? _____

4. Where did she send Jacob to find a wife? _____
5. Why there? _____
6. What did Jacob use for a pillow one night on the trip? _____
7. What did he dream about? _____

8. Who stood on the ladder with the angels? _____
9. What did he promise to do for Jacob? _____
10. When Jacob woke up, he said, "How _____ is this place! This is none other than the _____ of _____, and this is the _____ of _____."
11. Are you surprised that God would bless Jacob after he had been so bad? _____
Why? _____

TO HELP US REMEMBER: Young ones - Romans 5:8, "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Older ones - Romans 5:8-9

TO CHALLENGE TEEN THOUGHT: Jacob promised God he would tithe (28:22). What is tithing? Should we tithe? In a two-page theme on "Tithing," tell what the Bible teaches on tithing.

TO HELP PARENTS TEACH: Once in awhile we meet someone who asks, "Why study the Old Testament anyway?" This question is usually based on the assumption that only the New Testament teaches about Christ. But our story for this week clearly demonstrates the error of such thinking.

The entire Bible, both Old and New Testaments, is the story of Christ. All the Old Testament stories look forward to his coming. That is why Paul taught Christians "whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction. He told Timothy that the Old Testament scriptures "are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus."

This week's story shows the attitude of God toward sinners--the same attitude He showed through Christ on the cross. The story also contains the prophecy of Christ's coming to bless all families on earth. So teach your children this week about Jacob and Jesus.

FOR ADULT STUDY: Eph 2:7-10; Rom 3: 19-26; Tit 3:3-7; Hb 4: 16; Rom 5:20; Gal 2:15-21; Hb 10:17; Acts 2:38.