

the
MESSY LIFE
of **JACOB**
from GRASPING to LEANING

God Loves Jacobs | SEPT 24



GENESIS 28:10-22

¹⁰Then Jacob departed from Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and spent the night there, because the sun had set; and he took one of the stones of the place and put it under his head, and lay down in that place. ¹²He had a dream, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your descendents. ¹⁴Your descendents will also be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and in you and in your descendents shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, 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." ¹⁶Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." ¹⁷He 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."

¹⁸So Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on its top. ¹⁹He called the name of that place Bethel; however, previously the name of the city had been Luz. ²⁰Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will keep me on this journey that I take, and will give me food to eat and garments to wear, ²¹and I return to my father's house in safety, then the LORD will be my God. ²²This stone, which I have set up as a pillar, will be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."

If someone loves you when you have been a Jacob,
love them like crazy.

When have you been a Jacob?

RENEWAL: Why do we as humans love to see justice carried out against wrongdoers? What motivates God to show us grace and love? How have you experienced the presence of God in the midst of loneliness? Share a time you experienced the protection of God in a vulnerable season of life. How should we respond to the abundant love of God?



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