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JACOB'S DREAM
GOD BLESSES ISAAC AND JACOB
Story #10

REVIEW

1. What Characteristics of God are revealed in the story of Isaac?
2. When did Adam cease to have oneness with God?
(When he sinned)
3. Do Adam's descendants have oneness with God?
(No.)
4. Review how man is not in oneness with God.
(Adam's sin – Adam sinned and he had no more oneness with God.
Cain -- Cain was not in oneness with God.
Noah – The people in Noah's day were not in oneness with
God.
Babel – The people at Babel were not in oneness with
God.
Sodom & Gomorrah – The people of Sodom &
Gomorrah were not in oneness with God)
5. Review the "QUESTIONS" from the previous lesson.

Scripture: Genesis 26:2-5
Genesis 28:10-22

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Abraham was now a very old man and wanted his son to marry. So, Abraham found a wife for Isaac. Her name was Rebekah. Isaac was 40 years old when he married Rebekah (*Ribqah**).

After Abraham died, God (*YHVH**) spoke to Isaac. God said it would be through Isaac's descendants that the One promised to defeat Satan would come.

God blessed Isaac and Rebekah. Rebekah became pregnant. The two children struggled in her womb. She inquired of God and God told her two nations were in her womb and the older would serve the younger. Rebekah gave birth to twin boys, Esau (*Esaw**) and Jacob (*Ya'aqob**).

When Jacob was 40 years old, he went to live with his uncle in Haran. One night on his way to Haran he dreamed. In his dream he saw a ladder reaching from earth to heaven. The angel of God walked on the ladder and God Himself stood at the very top. In the dream, God told Jacob that all the promises He had told to Abraham and Isaac, He was now making to Jacob. It would be through the descendants of Jacob that the one promised to defeat Satan would come to deliver mankind from their sin. God was showing Jacob that man could go to God's place. Man could be in oneness with God like Adam and Eve were before they sinned.

While Jacob was in Haran he married and had many sons. God's promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob about their descendants becoming many was happening. Jacob stayed at his father-in-law's place until 11 of his children were born. Then Jacob took his family to Canaan, the land of his ancestors. God changed Jacob's name to Israel (*Yisra'el**), and his family was then called Israelites.

** Transliteration of the name from the original Scripture which was written in Hebrew.*

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Characteristics of God

Which Characteristics of God are shown in this story?
How is that Characteristic of God shown in this story?

1. **GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES.**
God is keeping His promise to Adam (Genesis 3:15), Abraham,
and Isaac, and now through Jacob.

2. **GOD IS THE SOURCE OF GRACE.**
God loves man in spite of man's sin.
God loved Jacob.

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Questions

1. How were Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob related?
(Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob)

2. What was the promise God made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob?
(That all the people of the earth would be blessed through one of their descendants)

3. Why was the promise of God to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob important?
(Because in the promise God said that it would be one of their descendants who would defeat Satan)

pearl ~ *In Jacob's dream, God was showing Jacob that man could again be in oneness with Him. God would make a pathway to heaven so man could go to God's place. God would provide a way so that man could be in oneness with God like Adam and Eve were before they sinned.*

pearl ~ *God was keeping His promise to preserve the "line of the seed" of the Promised Descendent who would come and defeat Satan.*

Adam & Eve
 Seth
 Noah
 Shem
 Abraham
 Isaac
 Jacob

Picture Description

10. "Jacob's Dream"

Jacob's Dream

Ladder reaching from earth to heaven

Angels ascending and descending

Drama ~ Hints & Suggestions

Watching the video drama is experiencing the story
...so it's not necessary to actually do the drama.

But, if you want to try the drama - Go for it!

The drama can be done right in the classroom and it's great.

Remember, because it's a narrative... everyone can participate...whoever is there.

There's no need for rehearsals or pre-memorized scripts. That's the wonderful part. It's not a performance, it's an experience.

It's introduced and acted out the same day.

Everyone enjoys, there's no pressure, and the children are learning.

You don't even have to have props...but it certainly makes it a lot of fun.

Costumes are the easiest (use men's bath robes and homemade garments).

Headress can easily be made from a yard of thin knit fabric (no sewing).

~~~Remember, making props is part of experiencing the story~~~

Your class can make the props or you can have  
the whole congregation participate.

### **#10. Jacob's Dream**

#### Props

\* Stone pillow - a brown paper bag stuffed with newspaper

\* Jacob's dream - drawn on poster board or cardboard