

UNIT 3: BLESSING • LESSON 12:

# “Jacob’s Ladder”

GENESIS 28:15



## BIBLE STORY:

As we move further into the book of Genesis we learn more about twins Jacob and Esau. They were Isaac and Rebekah’s children and Abraham’s grandsons. They were always struggling with each other. This story picks up after Jacob stole Esau’s blessing and Jacob got scared because Esau was very angry. Jacob ran away but during his journey he was reminded in a very **unexpected** way that God was there for him.

Jacob stole Esau’s blessing. Esau was very angry. Jacob was very scared, so he ran away to his uncle’s house. After a day of



walking, Jacob was sleepy. He lay his head on a rock and fell fast asleep. Jacob dreamed about God. He saw a ladder going from the ground up to the sky. God’s messengers went up and down. God appeared and said, “Jacob, I am always with you. You will be a blessing and your family will be a blessing.” Jacob woke up and knew that God would always be with him.

**God sometimes shows up in our own lives in very unexpected ways. We can feel close to God anywhere at any time. There are no limits to where God might show up.**

I am with you now,  
I will protect you  
everywhere you go.

Genesis 28:15



Dear God,  
No matter what changes  
in my life, I know you are  
always with me. Thank you  
for giving me blessings and  
for always loving me. Help me  
to recognize the special and  
sometimes unexpected places  
where I feel close to you.  
Amen

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## WONDER QUESTIONS & ACTIVITIES:

- Why do you think Jacob ran away?
- Have you ever had an interesting dream?
- What do you think Jacob’s dream meant?
- Jacob thought the stone that he slept by was a sacred place. What places in your life do you consider special or sacred?
- Where do you like to pray or talk to God?
- **Can you make a marker out of a rock?** Jacob set up a stone as a marker to show that the place he had slept on his way to Haran was special. Jacob poured oil on the rock to mark the place as sacred. Paint or color a rock that you can use to mark a special place.



# Jacob's Ladder

Staircases and Ladders

## Instructions

Use the staircases and ladders to reach the top.

