



# THE WAY OF BLESSING

**FEBRUARY 28, 2021 / THE GREAT AWAKENING / GENESIS 28:10-17**  
**Only in worship do you come to know yourself and your true calling.**

In the book of Genesis, Jacob's life functions on two levels—his conflicts with people and encounters with God. This major encounter with God catches Jacob by surprise and leaves him a changed person. It reminds us that God is present with us and calling us to higher levels of living.

**READ GENESIS 28:10-22.**

1. When was the last time you were genuinely surprised by an encounter with God?
2. What is the spiritual truth that this vision of angels conveys (Genesis 28:12)? (see Psalm 139:7-10; Isaiah 41:10)
3. Why might Jacob be surprised to hear these blessings from God at this moment in his life (Genesis 28:13-15)? (see Genesis 27:35-36)
4. What is the point Jesus is making by referencing this passage to his first disciples (John 1:50-51)? (see John 14:6)
5. What is the source of Jacob's newfound courage reflected in his vow in the final verses (Genesis 28:15)? (see Philippians 4:12-13)
6. What might you do tomorrow that you are hesitant to do today if you were convinced of God's presence and protection?

***God help me to exercise a more courageous faith in my life today.***