The Blessing Of God

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Genesis 28:12-22, Genesis 35:1,11, Genesis 30:48, Genesis 32:9-12, 2 Peter 1:8, Proverbs 21:5, Psalms 113:9, Ephesians 3:20

He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying.

Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring.

I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it."

<u>Genesis 28:17</u>

He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."

<u>Genesis 28:18</u>

Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it.

<u>Genesis 28:19</u>

He called that place
Bethel, though the city used to
be called Luz.

Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear

so that I return safely to my father's household, then the LORD will be my God

and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

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The blessing of God means multiplication

In this way the man grew exceedingly prosperous and came to own large flocks, and female and male servants, and camels and donkeys.

Keys to God's Blessing

- 1. Get in covenant with God
- 2. Stay and walk holy
- 3. Be a worshiper
- 4. Be obedient to God's Word
- 5. Pray
- Persevere
- 7. Work

It isn't your past that defines who you are, it is the blessing of God that defines who you are.

When you get blessed by God, everything changes

When in covenant with God, there is a part you do and a part that God will do

1. We need get into covenant with God

2. We need to stay and walk holy

God will bless you as long as you obey Him

3. We need to be a worshiper

Don't ever discount the purpose of what you are doing for God now.

4. We need to be obedient to God's Word

Not everything God asks you is going to be easy

5. Pray

Then Jacob prayed, "O God of my father Abraham, God of my father Isaac, LORD, you who said to me, 'Go back to your country and your relatives, and I will make you prosper,'

I am unworthy of all the kindness and faithfulness you have shown your servant. I had only my staff when I crossed this Jordan, but now I have become two camps.

Save me, I pray, from the hand of my brother Esau, for I am afraid he will come and attack me, and also the mothers with their children.

But you have said, 'I will surely make you prosper and will make your descendants like the sand of the sea, which cannot be counted."

Pray is communion with God

Don't pray only when you have problems. Pray all the time

6. Persevere

2 Peter 1:8

For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

7. Work hard

Proverbs 21:5

The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.

Don't look at where you are, look at the promises of God and remember what He has done for you.

Psalm 113:9

He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.

Praise ye the LORD.

Ephesians 3:20

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in US,

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