#### Pleasing God – When the LORD teaches about our inheritance, at the same time teaches the "walk"

Have you noticed, that Scripture, when teaching about His servant's inheritance, at the same time, teaches how His servants should live (or *walk*) in this world? Our walk determines our inheritance, because it is what pleases God. God's Word is the only true authority in this world, and tells us that we should, by knowledge of Him that has called us to glory and virtue, be partakers of the "divine nature" after we have escaped the corruption in the world through lust: (By doing, not just hearing) II Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

**II Peter 1:4** Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

II Peter 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

**II Peter 1:6** And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

**II Peter 1:7** And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

**II Peter 1:8** For if these things be in you, and abound, they make *you that* <u>*ve shall* neither *be* barren nor <u>unfruitful in the knowledge</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ.</u>

**II Peter 1:9** But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

II Peter 1:10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, <mark>give diligence to make your calling and election sure</mark>: for <mark>if</mark> ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

II Peter 1:11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**II Peter 1:12** Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know *them*, and be established in the present truth.

**II Peter 1:13** Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting *you* in remembrance;

**II Peter 1:14** Knowing that shortly I must put off *this* my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

**II Peter 1:15** Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

**II Peter 1:16** For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

**II Peter 1:17** For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

**II Peter 1:18** And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

**II Peter 1:19** We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

**II Peter 1:20** Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. **II Peter 1:21** For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

We know that Scripture is often taken out of context, or interpreted with a biased opinion; but these acts will never change the fact that Scripture alone is the authority. This authority rests in what Scripture means, not what we think it should mean. To be Christ's disciple one must continue in the Word. Jesus, after dealing with the woman caught in adultery and with the Pharisees who did not believe God's Word sent by the Light, but some of the witnesses did believe God's Word

John 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, *then* are ye my disciples indeed; (See John 8:12 and John 9:5)

## God's Word tells us - we need to walk in the Spirit: (Remember Galatians 3 explains our inheritance)

<u>Galatians 5:14</u> For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

**Galatians 5:15** But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

Galatians 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

**Galatians 5:17** For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

Galatians 5:18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

God's Word tells us that there is no condemnation to them that:

- 1.) Are in Christ Jesus
- 2.) Walk not after the flesh
- 3.) Walk after the Spirit

In the Book of Romans before explaining our inheritance as heirs of God, explains how to walk with Him:

<u>Romans 8:1</u> There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

**Romans 8:2** For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

**Romans 8:3** For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: {for sin: or, by a sacrifice for sin}

**Romans 8:4** That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

**Romans 8:5** For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

**Romans 8:6** For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. **Romans 8:7** Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

**Romans 8:8** So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Jesus instructs us that we are very close to Him when we do His Father's will:

<u>Matthew 12:49</u> And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

**Matthew 12:50** For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

Why did God call Jacob? – God foresees a prince before God and man – God foresees the end product

Jacob may not seem like a person that would be God's choice. His very name means supplanter. But God saw Jacob in a different light:

<u>Genesis 32:28</u> And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

It does appear that Jacob did want the inheritance, certainly more than his brother Esau; but Esau had no regard for God's Word, God's Covenant, or even his own parent's desire:

<u>Genesis 26:34</u> And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

Genesis 26:35 Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

But God is going to teach Jacob to be lead by God, and not the desires of this world

## Comparison of the two nations in Rebekah's womb

<u>Genesis 25:21</u> And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

**Genesis 25:22** And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

**Genesis 25:23** And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.

**Genesis 25:24** And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. **Genesis 25:25** And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau. **Genesis 25:26** And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.

**Genesis 25:27** And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.

## A. Rebekah was barren

B. Jacob intreated the Lord for his wife

## C. God Said to Rebekah:

- 1. There are two nations in your womb
- 2. Two different kinds of Nations
  - a. One will be stronger than the other
  - b. The elder will serve the younger

## **Comparison Of The Two Nations**

Esau	Jacob
"Red all over like a hairy garment"	"His hand took hold of Esau's heel"
"A cunning hunter"	"A plain man"
"A man of the field"	"Dwelling in tents"
Sells his birthright and despised it	Desires the birthright and the blessing
Disregards family and God – Marries	Obeys his parents – Goes to Haran to seek a
Canaanite brides	bride

## God sees these 2 Nations, not only in the now, but to eternity; then teaches Israel's inheritance.

Malachi 1:1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

**Malachi 1:2** I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? *Was* not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,

**Malachi 1:3** And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.

**Malachi 1:4** Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever. **Malachi 1:5** And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified from the border of

Israel.

## Now, Let's take a look at the way in which God calls Jacob – Isaac wants to bless Esau

<u>Genesis 27:1</u> And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, *here am* I. **Genesis 27:2** And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:

**Genesis 27:3** Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take me *some* venison;

**Genesis 27:4** And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.

## Rebekah heard what Isaac said to Esau

<u>Genesis 27:5</u> And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it*.

### Rebekah speaks to Jacob

<u>Genesis 27:6</u> And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

**Genesis 27:7** Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.

**Genesis 27:8** Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee.

**Genesis 27:9** Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth:

**Genesis 27:10** And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death.

Jacob is reluctant to carry out his mother's wishes

Genesis 27:11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I *am* a smooth man:

**Genesis 27:12** My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing.

Rebekah is convincing, however (we must notice Jacob's reaction)

<u>Genesis 27:13</u> And his mother said unto him, Upon me *be* thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me *them*.

## Jacob obeys his mother

<u>Genesis 27:14</u> And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.

Rebekah prepares Jacob for his task and Isaac's savory venison

<u>Genesis 27:15</u> And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

**Genesis 27:16** And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

**Genesis 27:17** And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

**Genesis 27:18** And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I; who *art* thou, my son?

## Jacob deceives his father

<u>Genesis 27:19</u> And Jacob said unto his father, I *am* Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.

**Genesis 27:20** And Isaac said unto his son, How *is it* that thou hast found *it* so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought *it* to me.

**Genesis 27:21** And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou *be* my very son Esau or not.

**Genesis 27:22** And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice *is* Jacob's voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.

**Genesis 27:23** And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

Genesis 27:24 And he said, Art thou my very son Esau? And he said, I am.

## Isaac eats his meal and blesses Isaac

<u>Genesis 27:25</u> And he said, Bring *it* near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank.

Genesis 27:26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

**Genesis 27:27** And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son *is* as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed:

**Genesis 27:28** Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:

**Genesis 27:29** Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed *be* he that blesseth thee.

## Esau returns from the field

<u>Genesis 27:30</u> And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

**Genesis 27:31** And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.

**Genesis 27:32** And Isaac his father said unto him, Who *art* thou? And he said, I *am* thy son, thy firstborn Esau.

## Isaac trembles

<u>Genesis 27:33</u> And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that hath taken venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, *and* he shall be blessed.

## Esau cries

<u>Genesis 27:34</u> And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.

## Jacob had taken away Esau's blessing – God had chosen Jacob

<u>Genesis 27:35</u> And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing. **Genesis 27:36** And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?

## Behold, I have made him your lord

<u>Genesis 27:37</u> And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?

**Genesis 27:38** And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

## God prophesies through Isaac concerning Esau

<u>Genesis 27:39</u> And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;

**Genesis 27:40** And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.

## Esau hates Jacob

<u>Genesis 27:41</u> And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

## Rebekah learned of Esau's hatred and calls for Jacob

**Genesis 27:42** And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.

**Genesis 27:43** Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran;

Genesis 27:44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away;

**Genesis 27:45** Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?

## Rebekah voices to Isaac her desire that Jacob not marry a Canaanite woman

**Genesis 27:46** And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

## Isaac charges Jacob not to take a Canaanite wife

<u>Genesis 28:1</u> And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

**Genesis 28:2** Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

**Genesis 28:3** And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

**Genesis 28:4** And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.

## Jacob is sent to Padan-aram, to Laban's house

<u>Genesis 28:5</u> And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

## Esau found out that Jacob was obeying his parents about marring a Canaanite wife

<u>Genesis 28:6</u> When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;

Genesis 28:7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;

## Esau goes to Ismael's family to take a wife there

<u>Genesis 28:8</u> And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father; **Genesis 28:9** Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

## Jacob takes off for Haran and camped out at Luz

<u>Genesis 28:10</u> And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran. **Genesis 28:11** And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

## God gives Jacob a dream

<u>Genesis 28:12</u> And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

#### The LORD stands above the ladder and gives the promise to Jacob

<u>Genesis 28:13</u> And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; **Genesis 28:14** And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

**Genesis 28:15** And, behold, I *am* with thee, and will keep thee in all *places* whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done *that* which I have spoken to thee of.

#### Jacob is very different after his encounter with God

<u>Genesis 28:16</u> And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew *it* not.

#### Jacob is afraid realizing this place is the very house of God

<u>Genesis 28:17</u> And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.

**Genesis 28:18** And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his pillows, and set it up *for* a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.

#### Jacob names the place Beth-el

<u>Genesis 28:19</u> And he called the name of that place Beth-el: but the name of that city *was called* Luz at the first.

**Genesis 28:20** And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

**Genesis 28:21** So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God: **Genesis 28:22** And this stone, which I have set *for* a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

#### The Meaning of the Dream

## A. Jacob's Ladder was no ordinary ladder

- 1. The Ladder Pictured communication between earth and heaven
- 2. It demonstrated God's interest in the happenings of earth especially concerning the covenant
- 3. Jacob dreamed about millions of God's messengers carrying out God's commands

## B. These Messengers are invisible to except by divine revelation and faith

1. There are an innumerable company of angels at God's Throne

<u>Hebrews 12:22</u> But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

**Hebrews 12:23** To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

**Hebrews 12:24** And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of* Abel.

**Hebrews 12:25** See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more *shall not* we *escape*, if we turn away from him that *speaketh* from heaven: **Hebrews 12:26** Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

**Hebrews 12:27** And this *word*, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

**Hebrews 12:28** Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

Hebrews 12:29 For our God *is* a consuming fire.

# 2. Heavenly angels speak of His commandments to those that do His pleasure

<u>Psalm 103:17</u> But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

**Psalm 103:18** To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

**Psalm 103:19** The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all. **Psalm 103:20** Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

Psalm 103:21 Bless ye the LORD, all *ye* his hosts; *ye* ministers of his, that do his pleasure.
Psalm 103:22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul. 3.
Angels are ministering spirits to the heirs of salvation

Hebrews 1:13 But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?

Hebrews 1:14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

**3.** Angels are interested in God's people working out their salvation – Inheritance then "walk" Luke 15:10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner

**Luke 15:10** Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinne that repenteth.

<u>I Peter 1:3</u> Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**I Peter 1:4** To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

**I Peter 1:5** Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

**I Peter 1:6** Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

I Peter 1:7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:
I Peter 1:8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

I Peter 1:9 Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

I Peter 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace *that should come* unto you:

I Peter 1:11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

**I Peter 1:12** Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

**I Peter 1:13** Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

**I Peter 1:14** As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

I Peter 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; I Peter 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

**I Peter 1:17** And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear:

**I Peter 1:18** Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;

I Peter 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

I Peter 1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

**I Peter 1:21** Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

**I Peter 1:22** Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:

**I Peter 1:23** Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

**I Peter 1:24** For all flesh *is* as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:

**I Peter 1:25** But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

**Ephesians 3:10** To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

# C. Christ Explains The Meaning Of The Dream Almost 2000 Years Later to Nathaniel: (Isaiah 9:1-8)

John 1:43 The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.

John 1:44 Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

John 1:45 Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

John 1:46 And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see.

John 1:47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!

John 1:48 Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.

John 1:49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.

**John 1:50** Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.

John 1:51 And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

# D. Christ Is the One that stood above the ladder – The same that told Nathaniel about it

**Ephesians 4:8** Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

**Ephesians 4:9** (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

**Ephesians 4:10** He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

## E. With Adam we learned that sin separated mankind from God

F. With Abraham we learned the walk of faith

# G. This Mystery of God's Eternal Purpose is revealed in a mystery – Preparing us for the Kingdom

**Ephesians 3:2** If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: **Ephesians 3:3** How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,

**Ephesians 3:4** Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) **Ephesians 3:5** Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Ephesians 3:6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: (Galatians 3; Psalm 2; etc.)

**Ephesians 3:7** Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

**Ephesians 3:8** Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

**Ephesians 3:9** And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

**Ephesians 3:10** To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly *places* might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

**Ephesians 3:11** According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

## H. This Kingdom event was prophesied by Solomon (John 3)

**Proverbs 30:4** Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his son's name, if thou canst tell?

**Proverbs 30:5** Every word of God *is* pure: he *is* a shield unto them that put their trust in him. **Proverbs 30:6** Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.