

God's Blessing and Isolation
Genesis 28:10-22, Pew Bible p. 21
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I. God's Answer to Jacob's Isolation (V. 10-15)

- A. When you are alone, you need to behold God's glory.
 - 1. God's glory overcomes our fear.
 - 2. God's glory comforts our loss.

- B. When you are alone, you need to know God's Word.
 - 1. God's Word gives us strength.
 - 2. God's Word provides us hope.

II. Jacob's Response to God's Answer (V. 16-22)

- A. When God meets you in isolation, you need to believe in Him.
 - 1. Believing God arms our soul.
 - 2. Believing God conquers our doubt.

- B. When God meets you in isolation, you need to commit to Him.
 - 1. Committing to God increases our knowledge.
 - 2. Committing to God inspires our devotion.

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Discussion Questions

1. Read Genesis 28:10-22.
2. In what way do you think Jacob's journey to Haran isolated him and took him out of his comfort zone?
 - a. Have you ever been isolated or out of your comfort zone, as Jacob was in V. 10-11?
 - b. How has God helped you through times of isolation?
3. How would God's vision of the stairway to heaven and His promise of blessing (V. 12-15) have encouraged Jacob in his situation?"
 - a. How can seeing God's glory help you in times of isolation?
 - b. How can hearing God's Word help you in times of isolation?
4. What does Jacob learn about God from the vision (V. 16), and how does he initially respond to that revelation (V. 17)?"
 - a. What have your experiences with God's presence taught you about God's character?
 - b. What has your study of God's Word taught you about God's character?
5. As a response to the promise of God (V. 13-15), what does Jacob commit to doing (V. 21-22)?
 - a. In what way is Jacob's conditional vow to believe in God a sign of immaturity?
 - b. In what way is Jacob's conditional vow to believe in God a sign of legitimate faith?
6. Pray for our church members who feel lonely and isolated to be comforted by God's glory and God's Word. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00-6:30 pm in the Worship Center lobby.