

Study Guide on Genesis 28:10-22

New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Genesis 28:10-22

(Genesis 28:10) Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran.

(Genesis 28:11) He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place.

(Genesis 28:12) And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

(Genesis 28:13) And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring;

(Genesis 28:14) and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring.

(Genesis 28:15) Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

(Genesis 28:16) Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!"

(Genesis 28:17) And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

(Genesis 28:18) So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it.

(Genesis 28:19) He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

(Genesis 28:20) Then Jacob made 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 clothing to wear,

(Genesis 28:21) so that I come again to my father’s house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God,

(Genesis 28:22) and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God’s house; and of all that you give me I will surely give one-tenth to you.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?