INTERNATIONAL BIBLE CHURCH (IBC) LINZ Flötzerweg 156 (Neue Heimat) 4030 Linz ...then you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. Jn.8:32

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

04:10:15

Theme: QUALITY OBSERVANCE OF JACOB, S DREAM

Memory Verse: Genesis 28:12 "And he dreamed, and beholds 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."

Texts: John 1:51

We observe some qualities in this dream. First, it was divine inspired and not the kind that results from a multitude of business. Second, it was not scary dreams that Satan often manipulates to terrify men. Third, the dream needed no interpreter because it was meant to be a revelation and not a mystery. Fourth, we also note that the dream was initiated and dominated by God. So we can see that the dream of Jacob was different from most dreams that some people have.

Jacob saw "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". It was needful that God should draw the attention of Jacob from the earth to heaven. All his actions had been geared towards a better life on earth. But in this dream, God showed Jacob a better place and how to get there. We all need a clear revelation of heaven so that the glittering things of this earth may grow dim in the light of heaven's brightness.

God revealed to Jacob that the journey from earth to heaven is a climb and not a leisure walk. But it is a climb on a ladder, not on a slippery ground. The footholds on the ladder are fixed and well secure for the heavenly pilgrim. Jesus is the Ladder that connects sinful men on earth to the holy God in heaven. He is the One who spanned the gulf between men and God. In the New Testament, Jesus spoke of Himself as the Ladder. (John 1:51). The revelation was also to tell Jacob that there is rush in life, as his mother was trying to force things out for him with carnality. We should be patient in life, because whatsoever God has spoken concerning us will come to pass in His own way.