

24. JACOB'S DREAM (GENESIS 28:10-22)



"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."

GENESIS 28:12

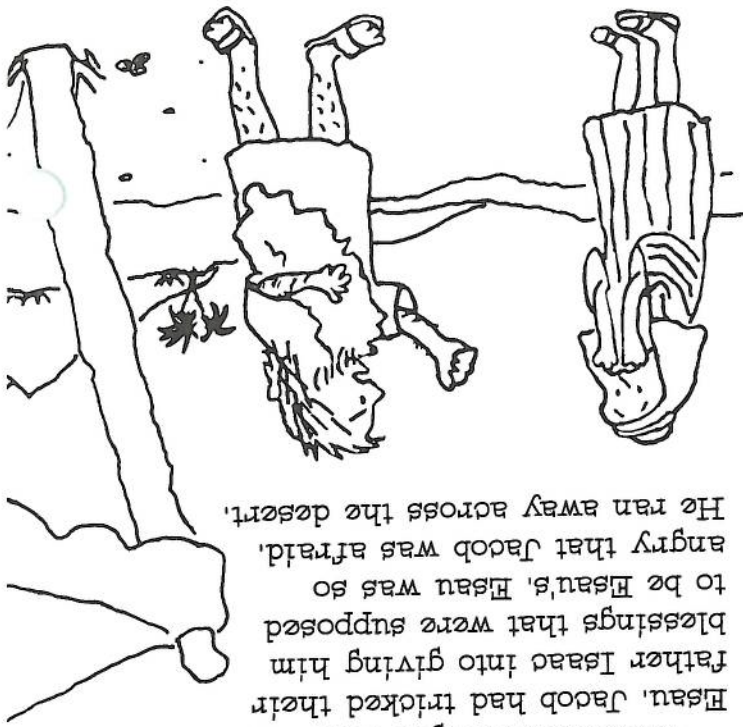
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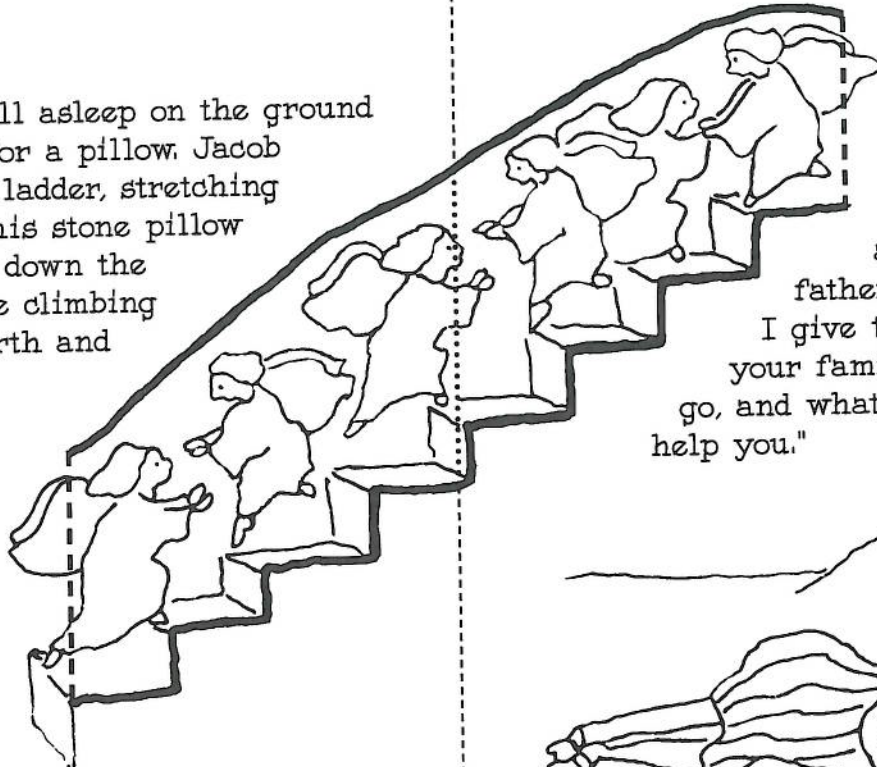


Jacob had a fight with his brother, Esau. Jacob had tricked their father Isaac into giving him blessings that were supposed to be Esau's. Esau was so angry that Jacob was afraid. He ran away across the desert.

Genesis 27:41-28:20

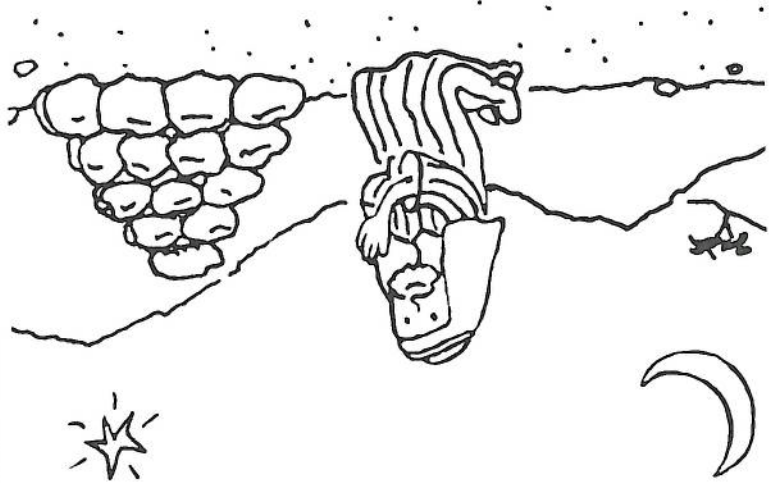
Jacob's Ladder

One night he fell asleep on the ground and used a stone for a pillow. Jacob dreamed he saw a ladder, stretching all the way from his stone pillow to heaven. Up and down the ladder, angels were climbing from heaven to earth and back again.



God said, "I am the God of your father and grandfathers. I give this land to you and your family. Wherever you go, and whatever you do, I shall help you."

Jacob woke up. "This must be a holy place!" he thought. He couldn't go back to sleep after that! Jacob made an altar of stones so people would know that God had been there. He promised, "If God will be with me and help me, and give me food and shelter, I will follow Him all my life."



Jacob Wrestles with God



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One night Jacob slept under the stars.

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Suddenly a visitor appeared!

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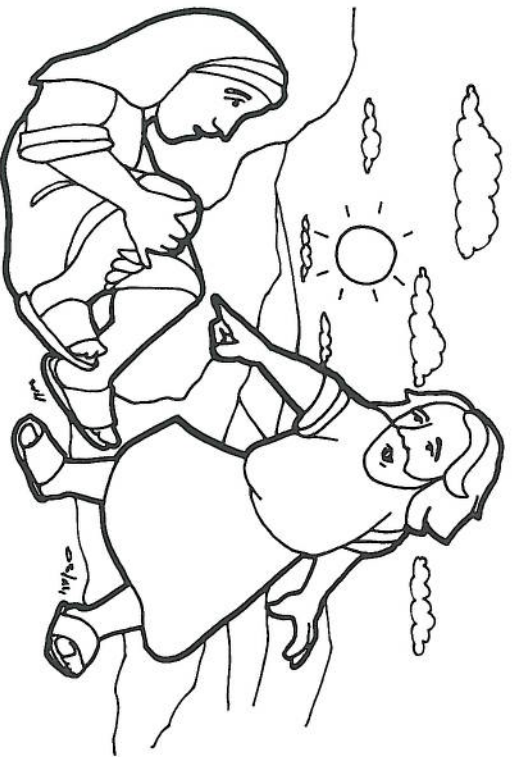
He wrestled with Jacob.

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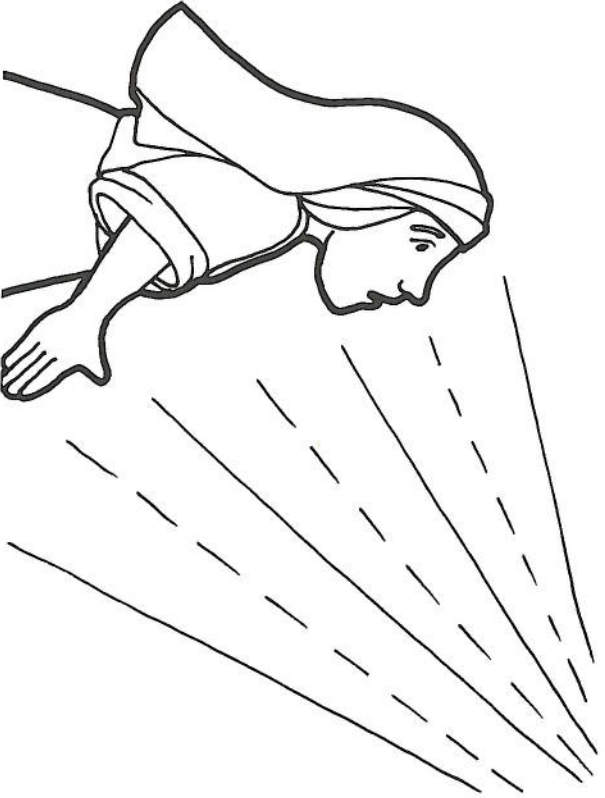
They wrestled with each other until the sun came up.

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When Jacob began to win, he hurt his leg. The visitor said, "From now on your name is Israel." That meant that Jacob would be the father of a whole nation!

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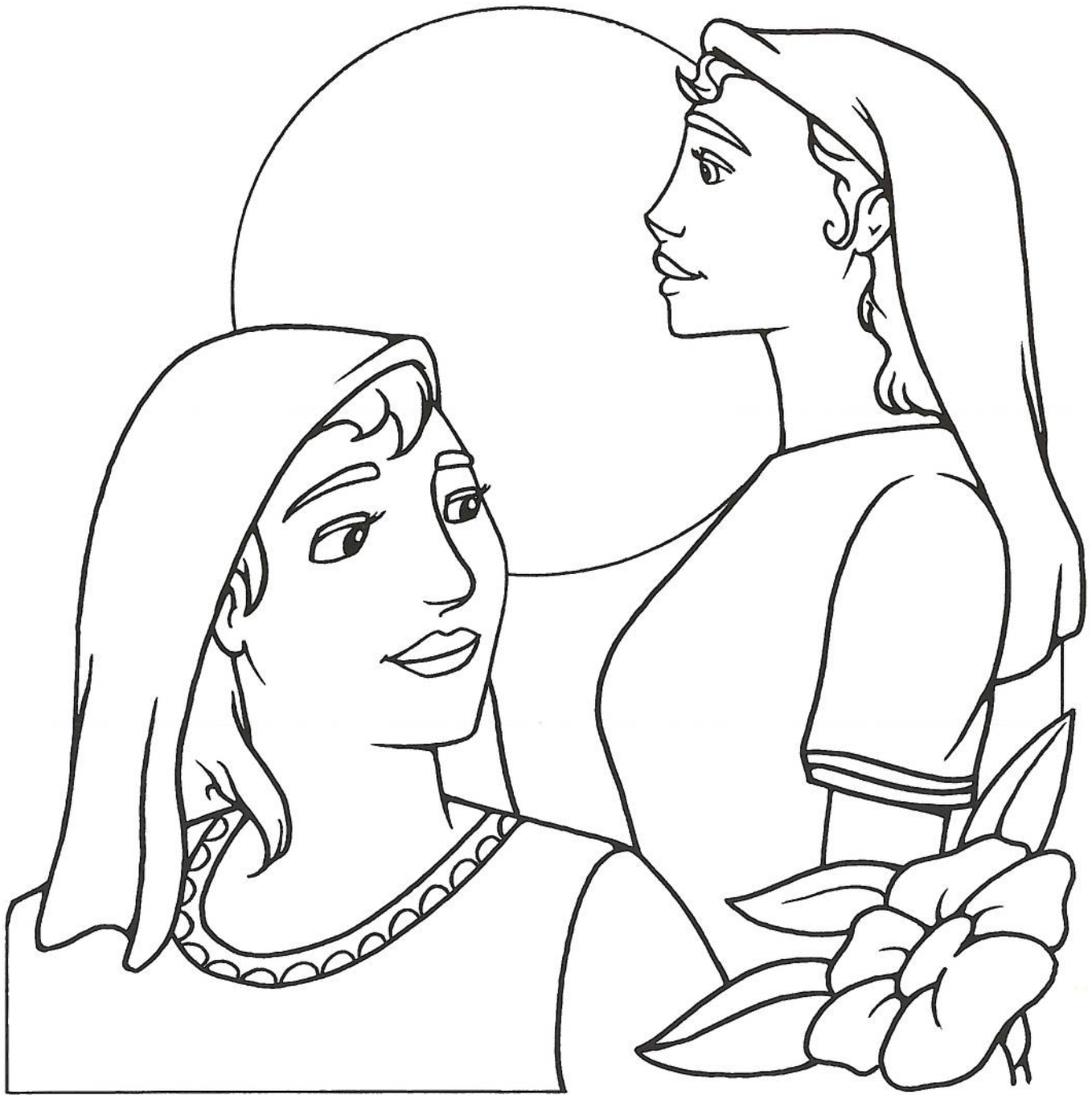
After the visitor left, Jacob discovered that he had wrestled with God!

How did God show Jacob the plans that He had for his life?

Find this story in your Bible.

Genesis 32:22

25. LEAH & RACHEL (GENESIS 29:1-30)



"And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel."

GENESIS 29:16