

Big Question

Question - Who is in control of everything?

Answer - God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth. Nothing is outside God's good plan

Bible Time

After Jacob stole his brother Esau's blessing, Esau was so angry that Jacob had to leave home. Jacob's father Isaac sent him away to find a wife from among Abraham's people. Jacob traveled toward Haran. When the sun set, he stopped to sleep for the night. Jacob used a stone for a pillow and fell asleep.

As Jacob slept, he had a dream. In the dream, a stairway was set on the ground, and its top reached the sky. God's angels were going up and down on it. The Lord was standing beside Jacob. He said, "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your children the land on which you are lying. Your descendants will spread out in every direction, and all peoples on earth will be blessed through your family." This was the same promise God had made to Jacob's grandfather Abraham and to his father, Isaac!

Read Genesis 28:10-22; 32:24-32

Talk It Out

Why do you think God came down the stairway to Jacob instead of telling Jacob to climb to the top?

How did Jacob respond?

What did Jacob say about the man he wrestled? (Gen. 32:30)

Jacob wrestled with God. How do we "wrestle" against God? How do we struggle against His ways?

God changed Jacob's name to Israel. How does God change us?

Pray About It

Thank God for changing us when we trust in Him!

Ask God to help us to follow Him and His ways all our lives!