

Living under an “Open Heaven”
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A. Preparing for an Open Heaven

1. Be faithful to the church gathering.
2. God cares about the places where people come to worship Him.

Psalms 26:8 (NLT)

3. Come ready to receive from God. (It makes a difference)

B. Jacob was a deceiver living under a “Closed Heaven”

1. The stolen inheritance and blessing.
2. Had to flee for his life.

Text: Genesis 28:11-12 (NLT)

3. The Lord speaks to him in a dream.

Genesis 28:13-15 (NLT)

4. God spoke life and legacy in the middle of his mess.
 - i. Numerous descendants.
 - ii. Land Owner.

Genesis 28:16-22 (NLT)

5. God chooses specific places for an “open heaven”

C. What can happen in the place where the presence of God is.

1. The power of God is released.
2. Angelic presence / activity.
 - i. Ask God to open our eyes to what is actually happening in the supernatural.

Ephesians 3:10 (NLT)

3. A taste of Heaven on earth.

Hebrews 12:22-23 (NLT)

Psalms 103:20 (NLT)

Matthew 18:10 (NLT)

4. Your living under the Blessing and Favor of God will affect those around you.

Acts 27:23-24 (NLT)

Paul's influence: Some things that God does for you will also bless those around you

5. Ask God to open your eyes to the supernatural.

Hebrews 13:1-2 (NLT)

D. What happens when you fast and pray.

1. We can experience an open heaven.

2. Prayers are not hindered by spiritual warfare in the heavenly realms.

Spiritual warfare: Ephesians 6:12 (NLT)

3. The enemy can: (Daniel 10:12-13)
 - i. Hinder or delay our prayers.
 - ii. Discourage us with delayed prayers.
4. We fight with persevering prayer and fasting that extends beyond the church walls.

Conclusions: Jacob spent the first 77 years of his life living under a closed heaven, but he lives the last half of his life under an Open Heaven.

Next Steps: Today I am:

1. Committing my life to Jesus
2. Committing to be a part of the Daniel fast
3. Praying for an open heaven over my life