

Genesis 33:16-20-Living Bible

16 So Esau started back to Seir that same day.

17 Meanwhile Jacob and his household went as far as Succoth. There he built himself a camp, with pens for his flocks and herds. (That is why the place is called Succoth, meaning “huts.”)

18 Then they arrived safely at Shechem, in Canaan, and camped outside the city.

19 (He bought the land he camped on from the family of Hamor, Shechem’s father, for 100 pieces of silver. 20 And there he erected an altar and called it *El-Elohe-Israel, The Altar to the God of Israel.*

Jacob means - *supplanter, (to trip up) schemer, trickster, swindler.*

Genesis 32:1-3-TLV

1 Early in the morning Laban got up, kissed his grandchildren and daughters and blessed them. Then Laban left and returned to his place.

2 While Jacob left on his way, *the angels of God met him.*

3 Then Jacob said when he saw them, *“This is God’s camp,” and he named that place Mahanaim.*

Mahanaim - *makh-an-ah'-yim- “This is God’s camp” or this is God’s Army- Two encampments of angels.*

Genesis 32:8-13-TLV

Genesis 32:23-32-TLV

When we quit struggling with God, and we quit struggling with others, we will learn to “rest in God and receive God’s provision for us.” We will find the deliverance we need from the encounters we face in life.

Genesis 33:4-NLT

Then Esau ran to meet him and embraced him, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. And they both wept.

John 1:14-AMP

14 And the Word (Christ) became flesh (human, incarnate) and *tabernacled (fixed His tent of flesh, lived awhile) among us; ...*

El-Elohe-Israel – “To the True God, the God of Israel” “Mighty is the God of Israel”

Genesis 34:1-4-Living Bible

Shechem – “back” “shoulder” – as the place to rest your burdens on. It also means “knowing God.”

2Corinthians 6:14-AMP

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers...

Genesis 34:5-31-Living Bible

What was the destiny of Simeon and Levi? What would be the consequences of their actions?

Genesis 49:5-7-Passion

7 Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce, and their wrath so relentless. I will divide your descendants throughout Jacob’s territory and scatter them throughout Israel.

Genesis 28:10-22-Living Bible

Verses -16-17 Then Jacob woke up. *“God lives here!” he exclaimed in terror. “I’ve stumbled into his home! This is the awesome entrance to heaven!”*

18 The next morning he got up very early and *set his stone headrest upright as a memorial pillar, and poured olive oil over it.*

19 He named the place Bethel (“House of God”), though the previous name of the nearest village was Luz.

20 And Jacob *vowed this vow to God:* “If God *will help and protect me on this journey* and *give me food and clothes,*

21 and will *bring me back safely to my father,* then *I will choose Jehovah as my God!*

22 And this memorial pillar *shall become a place for worship; and I will give you back a tenth of everything you give me!”*

What was Bethel?

- It is a place where Jacob had once met God; A place or House of God, gates of Heaven.
- Where he had received a heavenly vision; Jacob's stairway dream to heaven.
- Abraham built an altar close by and he called on the name of the Lord.
- Where he had first known the joy and security of living in a covenant relationship with the Lord.
- It is where God reassured him of that covenant He had given to Abraham, His grandfather, Isaac, his father, and now to him.
- Place where the ark of the covenant of God was set up, and where the priests offered sacrifices and inquired of God.
- Bethel became a "sacred place" of worship unto God.

Genesis 35:1–10-Living Bible

Verse- 10 And God said to him, "You shall no longer be called Jacob ('Grabber'), but Israel ('One who prevails with God').

Israel - He is one who "prevails with God, and is a over-comer in this life with God."

Genesis. 35:11-16-Living Bible

Isaiah 55:6-7-NLT

6 Seek the LORD while you can find Him. Call on Him now while He is near.

7 Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. **Let them turn to the LORD that He may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for He will forgive generously.**



GETTING BACK TO BETHEL.

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