

THE LORD IS IN THIS PLACE

FAMILY DEVOTION

12 He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. 13 There above it stood the Lord, and he said: "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. 14 Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. 15 I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." 16 When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it."

Genesis 28:12-16

Sometimes we have dreams that seem so real to us. Can you think of a time where you woke up from a dream and remembered everything in your dream? Sometimes our dreams mean very little to our real lives and sometimes our dreams can teach us important lessons. Jacob learned a very important lesson in his dream. He learned that the presence of God is present on Earth as well as heaven.

In Jacob's dream, God said that he will watch over us, protect us and not leave us. This is a comforting thought. God dwells on Earth with us because he loves us. The presence of the Lord gives us peace, equips us to love others and comforts us when things are uncomfortable. This is a gift from God to his people.

**Talk with your family about moments you have
noticed the presence of God on Earth**

**DEAR GOD,
WE ASK THAT YOU REMIND US
THAT YOU ARE HERE WITH US.
HELP US TO SEE YOU IN
EVERYTHING.
AMEN!**
