

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Genesis 28:10-19a

10 Jacob **left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran**. 11 He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because **the sun had set**. Taking one of the **stones** of the place, **he put it under his head and lay down in that place**. 12 And **he dreamed** that there was a ladder set up on the earth, **the top of it reaching to heaven**; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. 13 And the Lord **stood beside him** and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; 14 and your offspring shall be **like the dust of the earth**, and you shall spread abroad **to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south**; and **all the families of the earth shall be blessed** in you and in your offspring. 15 **Know** that **I am with you and will keep you** wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”

16 Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and **I did not know it!**” 17 And **he was afraid**, and said, “**How awesome is this place!** This is none other than the house of God, and this is **the gate of heaven**.” 18 So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and **set it up for a pillar** and poured oil on the top of it. 19 He called that place **Bethel**; *but the name of the city was Luz at the first*.

Eye - I/S, Math - I/S, Music - I, People - I

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	Beth - el = house of God	Verb <i>baruch</i> = blessing If used in the reflexive, the phrase would be : All the families of the world <i>shall bless themselves</i>	
Eye - Visual/Spatial D2		Talk about sacred space and holy places and “thin places” Mark D. Roberts on Thin Places (tl.dr) Thin Places Thin places are places of boundary between natural realms like water, earth, sky; coastline, springs and wells, mountain peaks,	Have a ladder set up in the sanctuary; the taller the better. Angels optional. MAPS! Find Bethel (north of Jerusalem in Israel/Samaria) or trace Jacob’s journey Jacob’s Ladder a weaving by Ruth Bell This dream might be like

		<p>etc. They can also be boundaries with the spiritual realm, where the veil between physical and spiritual is thin.</p> <p>Sacred Space (tl.dr)</p> <p><i>Eye Smart because of spatial relationships, location in space, etc., although there are also Nature Smart overtones.</i></p>	<p>kintsugi the Japanese technique of pottery repair</p> <p><i>Eye Smart for visual stimuli, location in space, etc.</i></p>
<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p> <p>MWD</p>	<p>This is the 7th direct or indirect promise of tremendous progeny</p> <p>Perhaps Jacob had heard but not really trusted the promise; he needed to see it in action.</p> <p>Midrash = ascent and descent of angels show the relationship between our actions and heaven's reactions</p>	<p>⇐ Repetitive language in legal contracts so that there is no ambiguity or wiggle room for escape</p> <p>⇐ Seeing the results of an experiment with our own eyes. (Mr. Lushbaugh's "gee whiz" chemistry experiments, which could often be smelled throughout the school.)</p> <p>⇐ Performing mitzvah is a form of cosmic repair (<i>tikkun</i>) which sends angels upward. Breaking mitzvah requires an angel to come down which diminishes the heavenly host. Jacob was seeing this interchange in his dream.</p> <p><i>Logic smart because of the Jewish understanding of their relationship / partnership with God. Plus, closed systems in mathematics (addition and subtraction).</i></p>	<p>⇐ Bring in one of the Terms of Service agreement nobody reads and always agrees to. You could print it out and hold it up as an added visual effect.</p>
<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p>	<p>Exhaustion because of: Exertion of running away, The emotional load of betrayal The body's natural need</p>	<p>Talk about these 5 weird things that influence your dreams, Or these 5 things that are giving you weird dreams Or these 6 surprising</p>	

	for rest	<p>things that can influence your dreams</p> <p>Sleep = recharging, cleansing, time for growth (especially babies and toddlers)</p>	
Musical D2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are... climbing... • I'll Be There (J5) • (Reach Out) I'll Be There (4Tops) • Every Breath You Take (Police) • Yahweh (U2) 	
Natural	Dust of the earth - it's everywhere	The events leading up to the dream and the dream itself are similar to the new life that comes when a forest fire opens a pine cone.	Have a good sized stone pillar (or a simulated stone) set up next to the ladder.
People - Interpersonal MWD		<p>Think of a time when you were assured by someone that they would stay with you, and that was a good thing! And they kept the promise.</p> <p>e.g. Jurassic Park - when Dr. Grant has to get Tim out of the tree, and Lex is terrified that he is just leaving as Ginerio did. "He left us!" "But that's not what I'm going to do!"</p>	
Self - Intrapersonal	"I did not know it!" Jacob recognizes the reality of a world where he is not the center	<p>⇐ Like discovering gravity really works, or that you really do need air to breathe, or that your parents actually know what they are talking about God's presence is an underlying reality that is not usually noticed</p> <p>Like finding the thing you were looking for right where you left it or worse</p>	

	<p>Jacob discovers his cosmic relationship to the earth (see the mitzvahs in Logic)</p>	<p>in your hand; glasses on top of your head or on your face</p>	<p>← Through the alienation and disconnection of his situation, Jacob is led to discover God in a profound manner. He is strengthened for what is to come and returns later to this place a different person. How has God used dislocation to open new avenues in your life?</p>
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