

## #07 VaYetze: The Stairway

- **There is a pattern to all thing (1):**
  - Because God is the creator and sustainer.
    - Why do all cars have wheels?
  - We learn of things we cannot see by the things we understand.
  - That is why Yeshua taught in parables.
  - The lives of the patriarchs, the events, the order in which they happen all teach us.

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- **There is a pattern to all thing (2):**
  - Even the negative things that happened teach us.
    - 1Co 10:4-11 TLV (4) and all drank the same spiritual drink—for they were drinking from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the Rock was Messiah. (5) Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, for they were struck down in the desert. (6) Now these things happened as examples for us, so we wouldn't crave evil things, just as they did.

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- **There is a pattern to all thing (3):**
  - Even the negative things that happened teach us (2).
    - 1Co 10:4-11 TLV (6) Now these things happened as examples for us, so we wouldn't crave evil things, just as they did. (7) Do not be idolaters, as some of them were. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." (8) And let's not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day 23,000 fell. (9) And let's not test the Lord, as some of them did—and were destroyed by serpents. (10) And let's not grumble, as some of them did—and were destroyed by the destroying angel. (11) Now these things happened to them as an example, and it was written down as a warning to us—on whom the ends of the ages have come.

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- **The place where Jacob spent the night (1).**
  - Gen 28:11 TLV He happened upon a certain place and spent the night there, for the sun had set. So he took one of the stones from the place and put it by his head and lay down in that place.

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- **The place where Jacob spent the night (2).**
  - A certain place: a familiar place.
    - Gen 12:8 TLV From there he moved to the mountain to the east of Beth-El and erected his tent (with Beth-El to the west and Ai to the east). There he built an altar to Adonai and called on the Name of Adonai.
    - Gen 13:3-4 TLV He proceeded by stages from the Negev as far as Beth-El—to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-El and Ai, (4) to the place of the altar that he had made there at first, and there Abram called on the Name of Adonai.

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- **The stairway (1):**

- Gen 28:12-13 TLV He dreamed: All of a sudden, there was a stairway set up on the earth and its top reaching to the heavens—and behold, angels of God going up and down on it! (13) Surprisingly, Adonai was standing on top of it and He said, “I am Adonai, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your seed.

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- **The stairway (2):**
  - It was set upon the earth.
  - It reached to the heavens.
  - The angels of God were going up and down on it.
  - Adonai was standing on top.

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- **The stairway was set upon earth:**
  - 1Co 15:20-21 TLV But now Messiah has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (21) For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also has come through a Man.
- **The Messiah became flesh:**
  - Joh 1:14 TLV And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us. We looked upon His glory, the glory of the one and only from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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## • The stairway (3)

- Joh 1:43-51 TLV (43) The next day, Yeshua decided to go to the Galilee. He finds Philip and says to him, “Follow Me!” (44) Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the same town as Andrew and Peter. (45) Philip finds Nathanael and tells him, “We’ve found the One that Moses in the Torah, and also the prophets, wrote about—Yeshua of Natzeret, the son of Joseph!” (46) “Natzeret!” Nathanael answered. “Can anything good come from there?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” (47) Yeshua saw Nathanael coming toward Him. He said, “Look, a true Israelite! There’s nothing false in him.”

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- **The stairway (3)**

- Joh 1:43-51 TLV (48) Nathanael said to Him, “How do you know me?” Yeshua answered, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” (49) “Rabbi,” Nathanael answered, “You are Ben-Elohim! You are the King of Israel!” (50) “Because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree, you believe?” Yeshua replied to him. “You will see greater things than that!” (51) And He said, “Amen, amen I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God going up and coming down on the Son of Man!”

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- **Yeshua is the spiritual internet supper highway:**
  - There is no communications between heaven and earth without him.
    - Heb 10:19-23 TLV Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have boldness to enter into the Holies by the blood of Yeshua. (20) He inaugurated a new and living way for us through the curtain—that is, His flesh. (21) We also have a Kohen Gadol over God’s household. (22) So let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and body washed with pure water. (23) Let us hold fast the unwavering confession of hope, for He who promised is faithful.

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- **How will we ultimately be gathered?**
  - Those messengers will gather us together.
    - Mar 13:26-27 TLV And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. (27) Then He will send out the angels and will gather together His chosen from the four winds, from the end of the earth, to the end of heaven.”

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- **Caught up together with him (1):**
  - **1Th 4:13-18 TLV** (13) Now we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who are asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest who have no hope. (14) For if we believe that Yeshua died and rose again, so with Him God will also bring those who have fallen asleep in Yeshua. (15) For this we tell you, by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord shall in no way precede those who are asleep.

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- **Caught up together with him (2):**
  - **1Th 4:13-18 TLV** (16) For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the blast of God's shofar, and the dead in Messiah shall rise first. (17) Then we who are alive, who are left behind, will be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air—and so we shall always be with the Lord. (18) Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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- **Yeshua is the way i.e. the stairway:**

- Joh 14:1-6 TLV Do not let your heart be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me. (2) In My Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? (3) If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to Myself, so that where I am you may also be. (4) And you know the way to where I am going." (5) Thomas said to Him, "Master, we don't know where You are going. How can we know the way?" (6) Yeshua said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life! No one comes to the Father except through Me.

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