

## MONDAY

1. Jacob wrestled for the birthright from his mother's womb and, one day, managed to have his brother sell him this right. Esau despised the blessing and the promises of God made to Abraham, which were contained in the birthright; Jacob, however, loved them. Therefore, God loved Jacob. We must value what is valuable to God (Genesis 25:21-34; Malachi 1:2-3; Hebrews 12:16-17).

2. Jacob paid the price for loving the birthright. Being a quiet man who dwelt in tents, he found himself forced to flee from his brother on a long journey after obtaining his father's blessing. Fearing the uncertainty of sustenance and protection, he received a vision from God. During the journey, as he slept with his head resting on a stone that served as a pillow, he saw a ladder whose top reached heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it (Genesis 25:27; 28:10-12).

3. The most severe consequence of the disobedience of man in Eden was his disconnection from God. Through it, sin entered the world, and death began to reign over humanity. However, the ladder in Jacob's dream reveals that someone would reestablish the connection between Earth and heaven. Christ is this ladder: He came to Earth, died on the cross for our sins, crucified the old man contaminated by Satan, and, in resurrection, restored man's connection with heaven. Among all men, it was Jacob who was granted this vision (Genesis 3:6, 22-24; Romans 5:12; John 1:51).

4. "Abraham's generation was idolatrous, worshipped false gods, and was concerned only with their own interests. Among his contemporaries, there was no one who sought the True God. [...] Abraham, however, was different: he yearned for the True God. Because he had such a pure heart, the God of glory appeared to him, and Abraham gave his life to the Lord, entrusting Him with his future" (Psalm 14:2) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Monday, p. 58).

## TUESDAY

1. God appeared to Jacob and promised to give him the Earth, assuring that He would be with him on the journey until He fulfilled all that He desired to accomplish in him. Because Jacob valued what God valued, he became the object of divine care, and his whole life came to be in the Lord's hands. Do you want to live like this? Love what God loves; value what God values (Genesis 28:13-15).

2. When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he declared, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." No one had told him about the house of God; this was the result of divine revelation. If we want to walk in God's way, we need Him to reveal Himself to us and grant us spiritual understanding (Genesis 28:17).

3. Christ restored man's connection with God through His death on the cross. His blood accomplished eternal redemption, and His resurrection granted us life. Today, He desires to build His church as the house of God, making all who are redeemed members of His Body. We were called to build up, not to live in isolation (Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 2:22; 1 Peter 2:5).

4. "The apostle Paul did not consider his life precious to himself [...] We ask the Lord to give us this same heart, to follow Him with simplicity, striving for the kingdom. We are only His servants and we long to cooperate so that He may be the Head over all things, first and foremost over us, the church" (Acts 20:24) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Tuesday, p. 60).

**DO YOU WANT  
TO BE A  
MISSIONARY?**



## WEDNESDAY

1. After the vision at Bethel, Jacob made a vow. At that moment, his attitude was still that of having Christ as his "pillow." God was to give him sustenance and security; then, He would be his God, the God of Jacob, and the stone he had erected as a pillar would be the House of God. However, in the second stage of his life, Jacob did indeed stand as a pillar in the house of the Lord (Genesis 28:18-22; 35:9-15).

2. During this time, God is calling those who love what He loves. Whoever values the birthright and loves His Word—and therefore His blessing—will surely be kept by Him. God desires that you be a pillar in His house and needs you to be willing to take responsibility for raising up and building the church (Genesis 35:14-15; 1 Corinthians 3:9; Revelation 3:12).

3. After twenty years of working in Laban's house, when Jacob decided to return to his own land, God appeared to him and reminded him of the vow he had made. If you once received a vision and made a vow, and today you have forgotten, know that God does not forget. In due time, He will remind you of your consecration and the commitment you made. He is the God of the house of God, the God of Bethel (Genesis 31:13).

4. "Then all this assembly shall know that the Lord does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's, and He will give you into our hands." (1 Samuel 17:47) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Wednesday, page 62).

## THURSDAY

1. After returning from Laban's house, the second stage of transformation in Jacob's life began. He intended to remain comfortably settled in Shechem, but God was not pleased with this, for He desired to build His house. Therefore, He said to him: "Arise, go up to Bethel." God reminds us of the vows we make. It is time to return to Bethel. It is time to build the house of God. (Genesis 35:1)

2. When Jacob arrived at Bethel, he called the place El-Bethel (the God of God's house). It was no longer El-Jacob (the God of Jacob). His vision needed to move from the individual realm to the needs of God, who is His house. The Almighty God appeared to him again and confirmed the change of his name. Jacob no longer needed to rely on his own cunning; he could rest in the Lord and His care (Genesis 35:6-13).

3. Joseph is the continuation of Jacob's story. After going through two phases of transformation, Jacob was being prepared to reign, and Joseph represents his reigning part. When reading Joseph's story, it is important to connect it to Jacob's journey and his two stages of transformation (Genesis 37:1-2).

4. "Victory comes from the word of the Lord, so let us strive to keep it. Let us not depart from it, neither to the right nor to the left. Let us not add any opinion of our own nor subtract anything from the promise. Let us only believe and do what He commands" (Joshua 23:9-10) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Thursday, pp. 65, 66).

## FRIDAY

1. Through man's disobedience, sin and death entered him, and he became a sinner and his soul was defiled. Humanity became carnal, living according to the old man, corrupting itself daily through the lust of deceit. Therefore, God needs to place His new elements in us through the washing of water by the Word (Romans 5:12).

2. Jacob was visibly transformed, but he still lacked the maturity to reign. Our transformation occurs through a metabolic change in the soul. It is not merely a behavioral alteration, but God adding His elements to us and removing our natural elements (Romans 12:2).

3. The Word is the vehicle that contains an active principle: the very essence of God, His holy life. Truth, holiness, righteousness, love, light, and all divine elements are ministered to us in the flow of the river of the water of life through the Word and replace our natural elements. Little by little, in a metabolic way, our soul is transformed, and the work of God is accomplished in us (Romans 5:12; Ephesians 4:22; 5:25-27).

4. "For Christ to be Head over all things, God relies on Zion, the strong part of the church, engaged in His purpose and fighting for the kingdom. From Zion God will send the scepter of power for Christ to rule over His enemies" (Psalm 110:1-2) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Friday, p. 67).

## SATURDAY

1. We are being transformed through the process of sanctification—a metabolic change accomplished by the washing of water by the Word. However, God's ultimate goal is to glorify us. It is not about receiving just a little outward shine; the glory is God Himself. He transforms us to the point of incorporating us into Himself, making us One with Him (Romans 5:2-3; 8:30; Revelation 21:3).

2. The metabolic transformation process we receive through the washing of the Word has tribulations as an external collaborator. Do not complain about circumstances, for God uses them to mold you and make you ever more useful to Him (Romans 5:3-4).

3. Through trials and growth in life, endurance is produced within us. At this stage, what leads to maturity is experience. By observing how God works, we gain experience and, through it, advance toward maturity. This maturity generates in us the hope of glorification—when, at the Lord's return, we will be fully incorporated into God (Romans 5:3-5).

4. "In the struggle for the kingdom, we do not trust in our own strength, but in the Most High God, whom we serve. He is able to do all things; we are not capable; therefore, we believe in His word, with a pure and simple heart" (Genesis 14:18-20) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Saturday, p. 69).

## SUNDAY

1. The transformation of the soul begins with the renewal of the mind. Those who hold onto an old mind are unable to discern God's will and, without realizing it, may even hinder His work. We must not remain bound to the past. We all need to have our minds renewed to keep them sensitive to God's will (Romans 12:2).

2. The secret to having a renewed mind is to incline it toward the spirit. The way to do this is to direct the mind to the words that the Lord speaks to us today—the living and current word that communicates life to us—and engrave it in the heart (Romans 8:5-6; John 6:63; Deuteronomy 6:5-7).

3. We need to go through trials so that what is in our hearts may be revealed. They test and humble us, preventing the ego from becoming arrogant and deceiving us. Do not reject trials, for it is through them that impurities are exposed and can be removed. The Word, like running water, is able to discern the purposes of the heart so that, purified, we may be led to the glory of God (Deuteronomy 8:2-3; 1 Peter 1:6-9; Hebrews 4:12).

4. "When you are doing a TCS operation or "Family Mission," preaching the gospel, caring for people or the House of Teens, know that Christ, as High Priest, is interceding for you in heaven. We achieve victory thanks to intercessions, which move the arm of the Most High God" (Hebrews 6:20) (Daily Food, book 6, week 4, Sunday, p. 72).

## DAILY IMMERSION IN THE PROPHETIC WORD

# GENESIS

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## Message 46

### JOSEPH: BEING PREPARED TO REIGN

Genesis 35:16-29; 36:1-43

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