

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Here I Am To Worship

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our neighbour,
In thought and word and deed,
Through negligence, through weakness,
Through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may serve you in newness of life
To the glory of your name. Amen.

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NOTICES

(Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

SONG: You Alone Can Rescue

READING: Genesis 28:10-22 (pg. 22)

SERMON

PRAYERS

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
Now and for ever. Amen

SONG: The Power of the Cross

COMMUNION

SONG: Amazing Grace

BLESSING

NOTICES

Connect with us

If you're new at Grace Church, we'd love to connect. Sign up to our Newsletter or WhatsApp Group by scanning the QR code or emailing info@greenwich.church



Summer Schedule

In August, you can join for **Summer Fellowship** on Tuesday nights at 8pm in Canada Water, or on Wednesday nights at 8pm in Greenwich.

There will be **no Sunday services at Eltham** during the month of August.

Electoral Roll

If you are over 16, have been baptised and have attended Grace Church for over 6 months, please sign up for our electoral roll by scanning the QR code.



Giving

Grace Church is funded wholly by the donations of its members. See www.greenwich.church/give or set up a bank transfer (40-52-40/00027789) or to give tax efficiently contact treasurer@greenwich.church

Next Sunday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13

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Welcome!

Sunday 21st July 2024

*“You will see heaven open and
God's angels going up and coming
down on the Son of Man.”*

John 1:51 (GNB)

Genesis 28:10-22



¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and went towards Haran. ¹¹And he came to a certain place and stayed there that 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 to sleep. ¹²And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! ¹³And behold, the LORD stood above it 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. ¹⁴Your 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 in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, 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." ¹⁶Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." ¹⁷And 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."

¹⁸So early in the morning Jacob 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. ¹⁹He called the name of that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first. ²⁰Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, ²¹so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God, ²²and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that you give me I will give a full tenth to you."

When heaven is closed to us...

1) Into the mess of our sin (vv10-11)

hopeless, alone, and defenceless

2) ...the Lord comes down to us (vv12-15)

with His promise, His presence, and His protection

3) ...so we can entrust ourselves to him (vv16-22)

- Start where you are
- Worship "the God of Bethel" (31:13)
- Open your eyes!

Coffee Questions:

Do you ever feel like heaven is closed to you? How does this passage help us?

This passage encourages us to: Start where you are, Worship "the God of Bethel," and Open your eyes. What might it look like to apply this in your situation?