

Youth



✔ Prepare in Advance

- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.
- Retrieve, review, and have ready the videos listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).

✔ Experiences

Give each person a sheet of paper and a pen. Instruct each person to draw a line graph of the significant moments in his/her life. Draw a line that goes higher during the high points, and lower during the low points. Be sure to include high and low life experiences.

Give each person time to finish their graph and then have each person share their graph with everyone in the group.

Use these questions to facilitate discussion.

- If you had to name one point in your life that impacted you the most, what would it be? Why?
- Did any of the experienced in your life occur as a direct result of a previous experience? Explain?
- How do you think these experiences affected your relationship with God? Explain.
- What do you think your life would be like had you not had these experiences?

✔ Promises

Read Genesis 28:10-22 and watch the *Bible Background Video* for this session.

- What promise did God make to Jacob? What promise did Jacob make to God?
- Why do you think this event is so significant to Jacob? How did this event change his life?

✔ Transformation

Show the "First Knight" clip.

- How did the events shape Lancelot into the man he became? How is this similar to the way the event in the text shaped Jacob's life?
- Do you believe that the events we experience make us who we are? Why or why not?
- What spiritual events in your life have shaped who you are? What have they taught you about God? What lessons have you learned that will give you comfort the next time you face a challenging experience?

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