

# JACOB

A person wearing a hat and a backpack stands on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a vast, hazy mountain range. The word "JACOB" is overlaid in large, white, serif capital letters. The person is positioned in front of the letter "C".

A JOURNEY — OF TRANSFORMATION



## Series Recap:

- a. The Turning Point of Transformation at Bethel
- b. Lesson 1: Break the Cycle
- c. Lesson 2: Learn to Wrestle
- d. Lesson 3: Dwell in Bethel

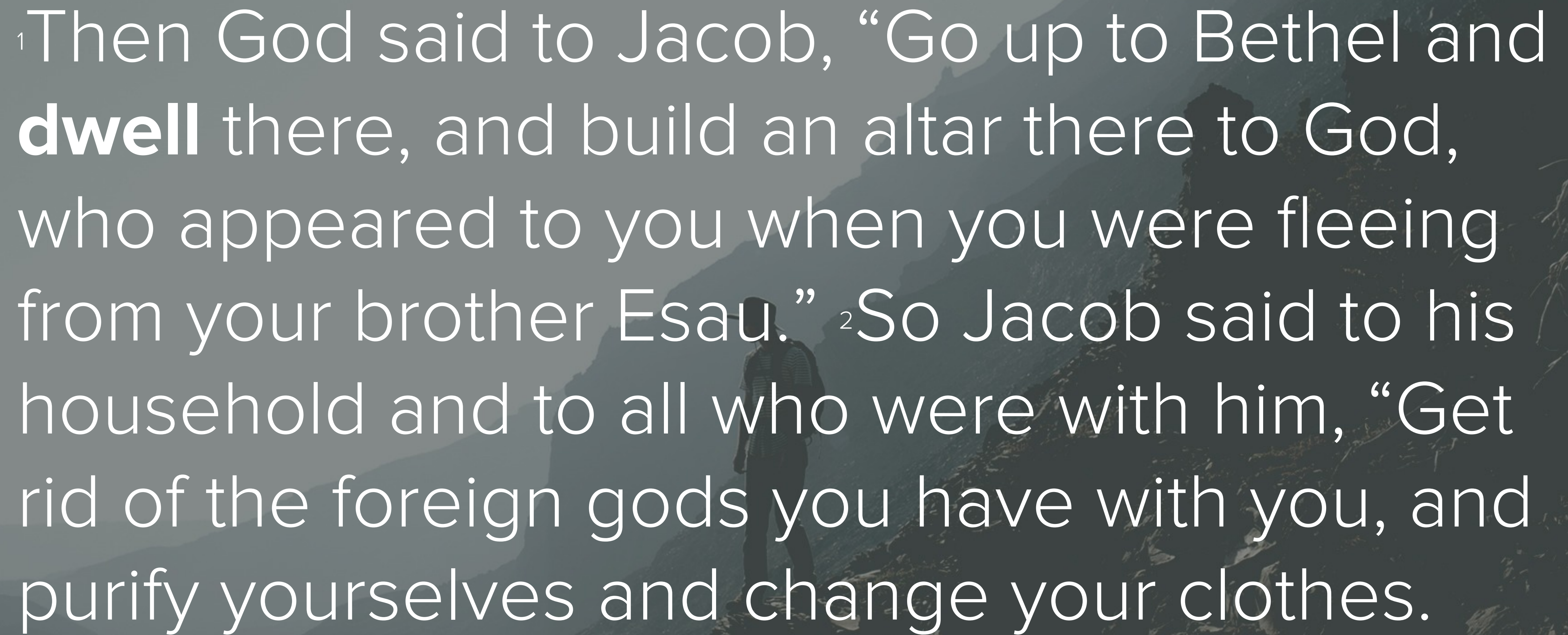


A person wearing a hat and a backpack stands on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a vast, hazy mountain range. The scene is captured in a dark, moody style with a high-contrast, low-key lighting effect.

# Phase 3 of Transformation: **DWELL IN BETHEL**



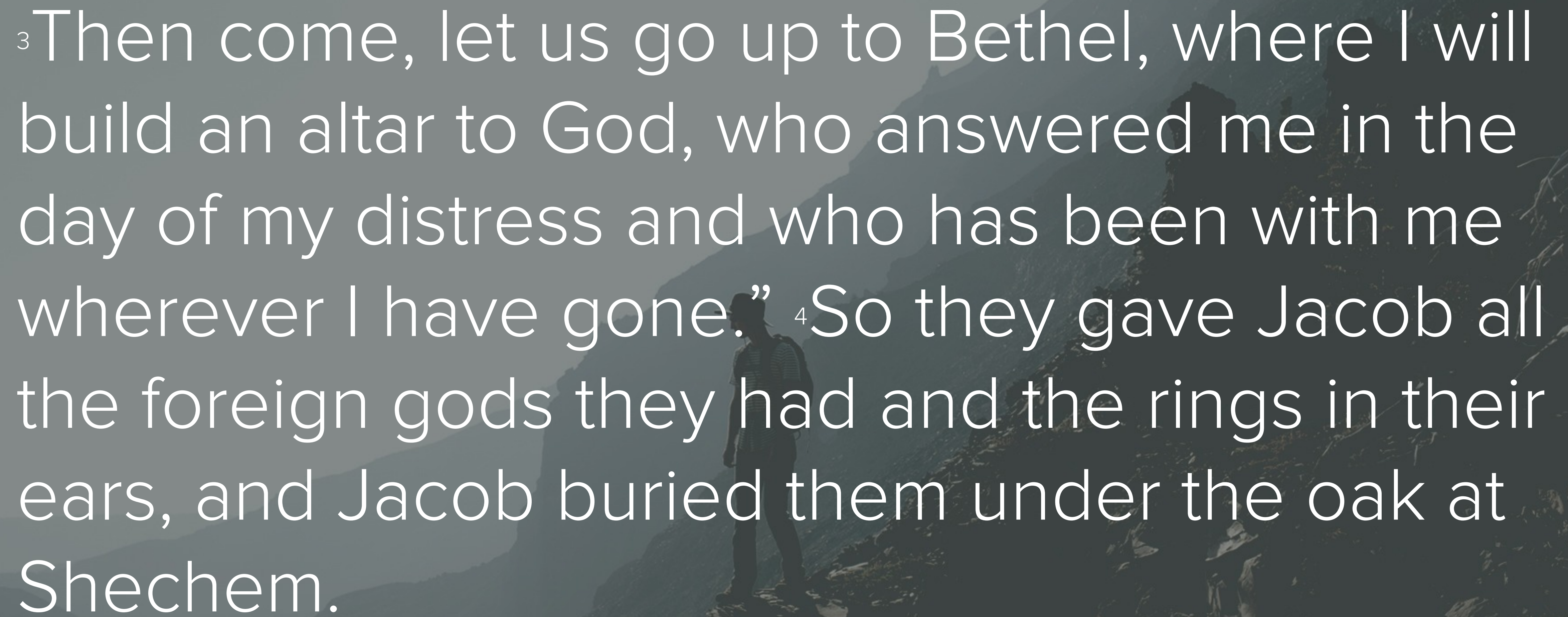




<sup>1</sup>Then God said to Jacob, “Go up to Bethel and **dwell** there, and build an altar there to God, who appeared to you when you were fleeing from your brother Esau.” <sup>2</sup>So Jacob said to his household and to all who were with him, “Get rid of the foreign gods you have with you, and purify yourselves and change your clothes.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)

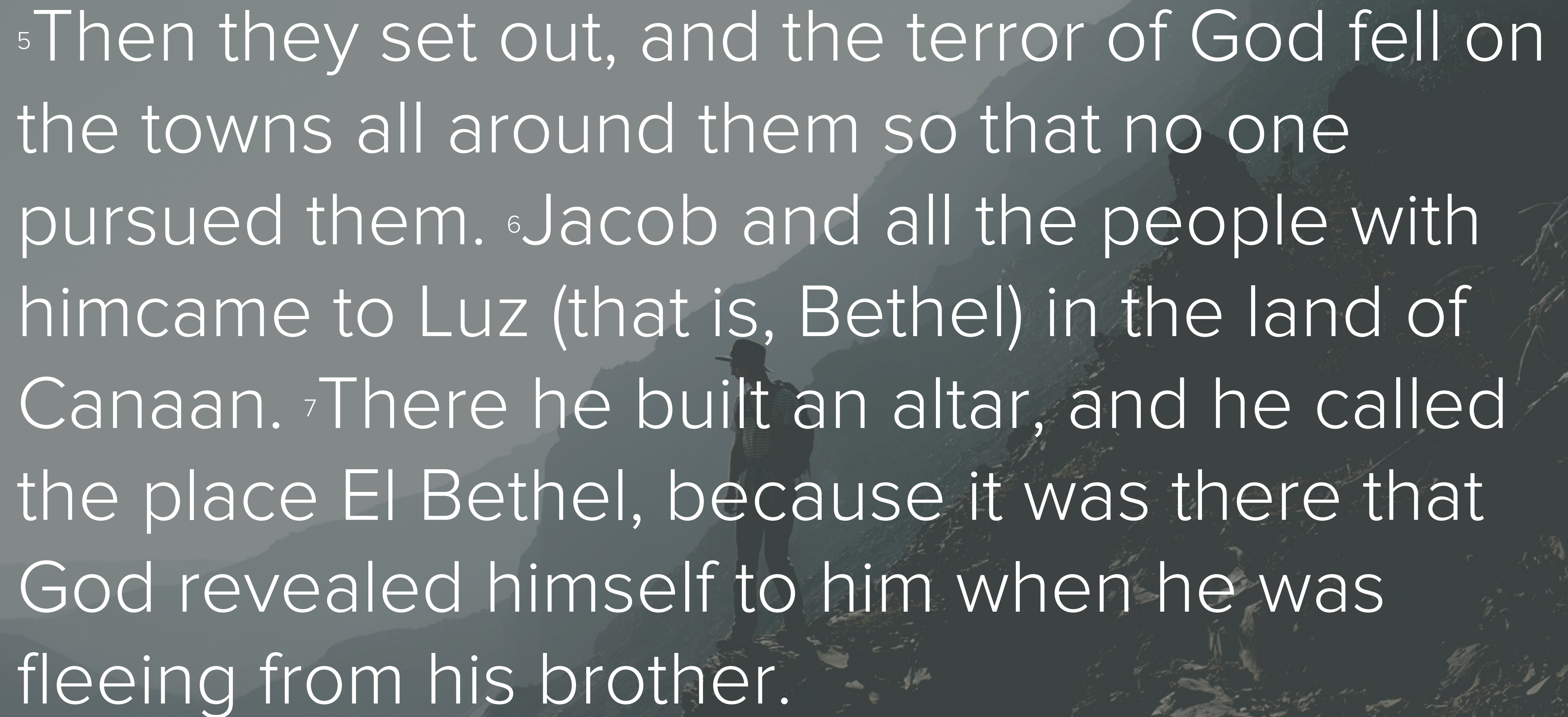


A person is standing on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a valley. The person is wearing a backpack and a hat. The background shows a vast, hazy landscape with mountains and a river. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, sans-serif font.

<sup>3</sup>Then come, let us go up to Bethel, where I will build an altar to God, who answered me in the day of my distress and who has been with me wherever I have gone.” <sup>4</sup>So they gave Jacob all the foreign gods they had and the rings in their ears, and Jacob buried them under the oak at Shechem.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)




A person with a backpack and a hat stands on a rocky mountain trail, looking out over a valley. The scene is misty and atmospheric, with mountains in the background.

<sup>5</sup>Then they set out, and the terror of God fell on the towns all around them so that no one pursued them. <sup>6</sup>Jacob and all the people with him came to Luz (that is, Bethel) in the land of Canaan. <sup>7</sup>There he built an altar, and he called the place El Bethel, because it was there that God revealed himself to him when he was fleeing from his brother.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)



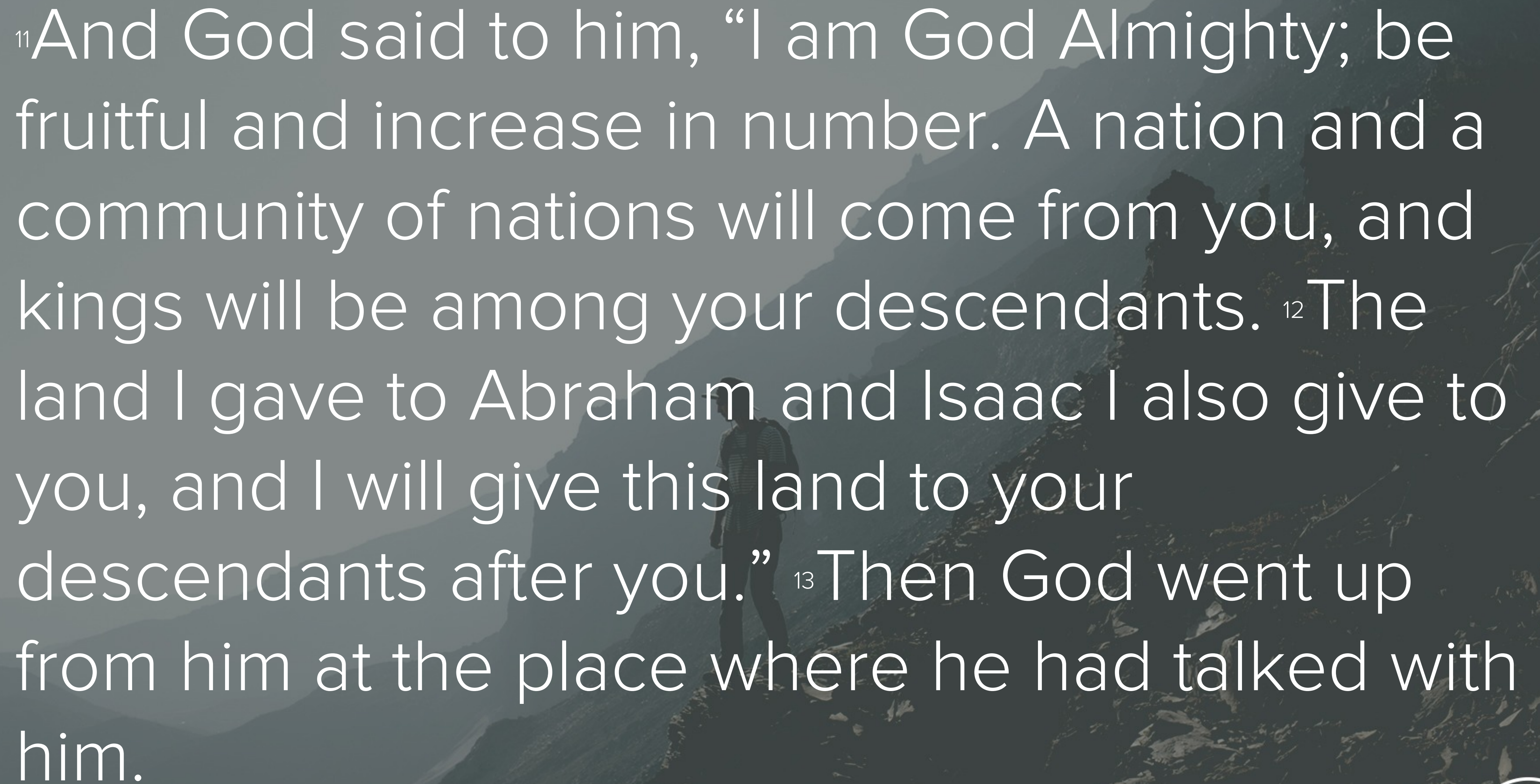
A hiker with a backpack and a hat is standing on a rocky mountain trail, looking out over a vast, hazy landscape. The hiker is positioned in the center of the frame, slightly to the left. The background shows rolling hills and mountains under a soft, hazy sky. The overall tone is contemplative and serene.

<sup>8</sup>Now Deborah, Rebekah's nurse, died and was buried under the oak outside Bethel. So it was named Allon Bakuth. <sup>9</sup>After Jacob returned from Paddan Aram, God appeared to him again and blessed him. <sup>10</sup>God said to him, "Your name is Jacob, but you will no longer be called Jacob; your name will be Israel." So he named him Israel.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)



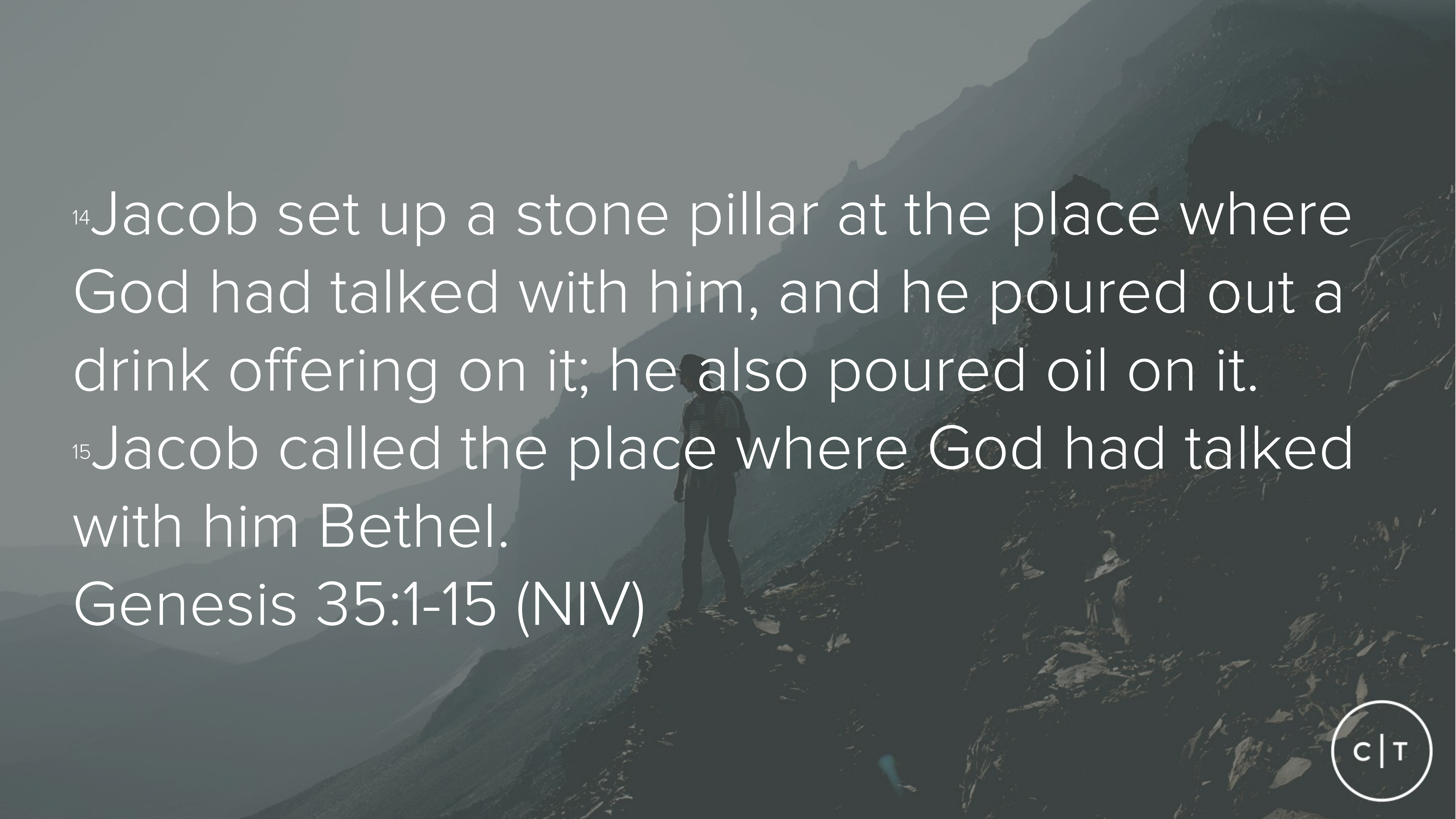


A person with a backpack is standing on a rocky mountain trail, looking out over a valley. The text is overlaid on the image.

<sup>11</sup>And God said to him, “I am God Almighty; be fruitful and increase in number. A nation and a community of nations will come from you, and kings will be among your descendants. <sup>12</sup>The land I gave to Abraham and Isaac I also give to you, and I will give this land to your descendants after you.” <sup>13</sup>Then God went up from him at the place where he had talked with him.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)



A person with a backpack stands on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a vast valley. The scene is misty and atmospheric, with the person's silhouette clearly visible against the lighter background of the valley.

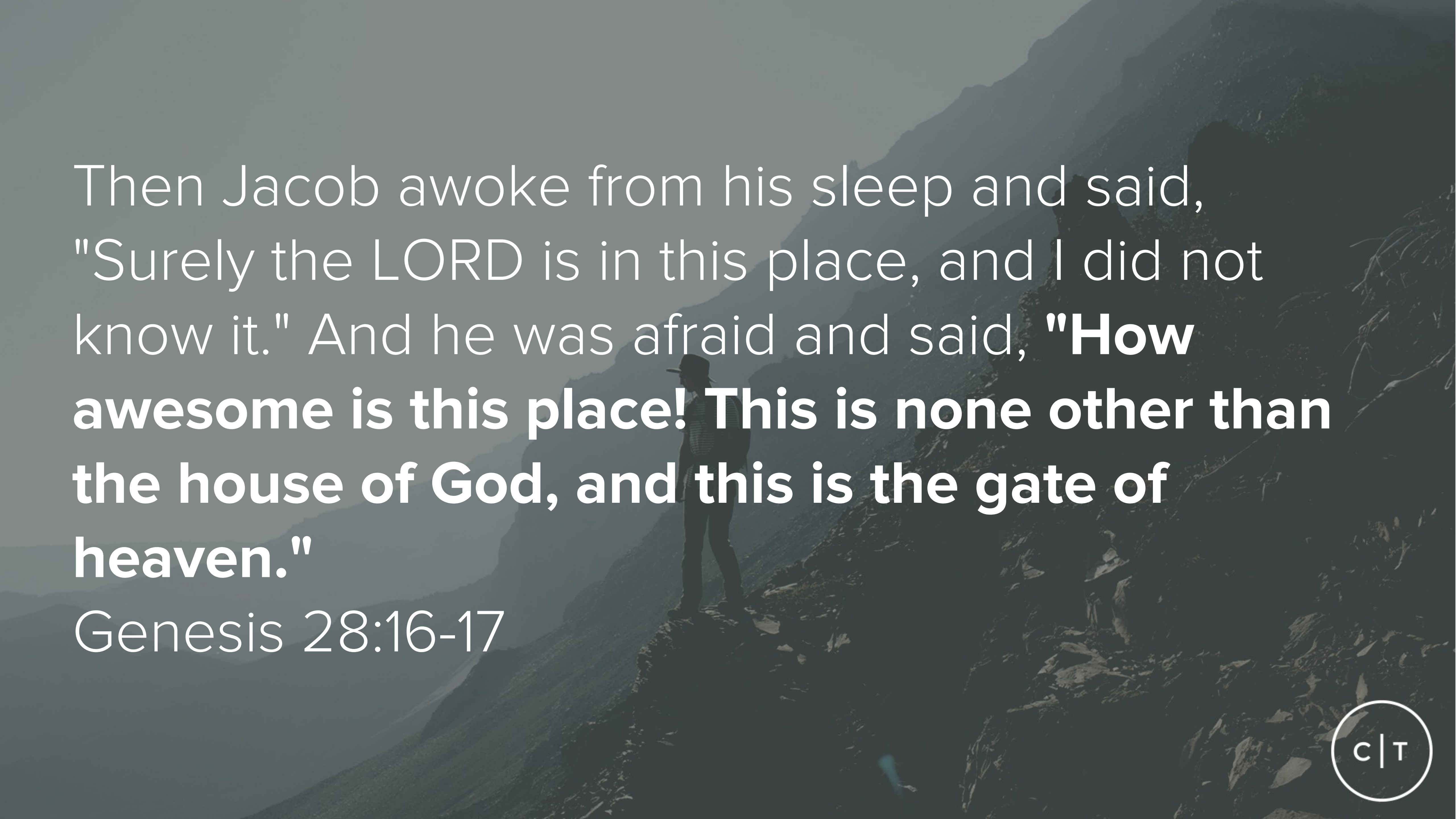
<sup>14</sup> Jacob set up a stone pillar at the place where God had talked with him, and he poured out a drink offering on it; he also poured oil on it.

<sup>15</sup> Jacob called the place where God had talked with him Bethel.

Genesis 35:1-15 (NIV)





A person wearing a hat and a backpack stands on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a vast, hazy valley. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting dawn or dusk. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said,  
"Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not  
know it." 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."**

Genesis 28:16-17



A person is standing on a rocky mountain peak, looking out over a vast valley. The person is wearing a backpack and a hat. The background shows rolling hills and a clear sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

Establish your ***new life*** and your ***new roots*** in the  
**House of God!**



# The House of God Offered:

- a. His Presence
- b. His Provision
- c. His Protection
- d. His Promise



## He Buried His Idols

<sup>2</sup>So Jacob said to his household and to all who were with him, “Get rid of the foreign gods you have with you, and purify yourselves and change your clothes.” ...<sup>4</sup>So they gave Jacob all the foreign gods they had and the rings in their ears, and **Jacob buried them** under the oak at Shechem.

Genesis 35:2, 4



A person wearing a hat and a backpack stands on a rocky mountain ridge, looking out over a vast, hazy valley. The scene is captured in a dark, moody style with a semi-transparent text overlay.

## He Buried His Idols

Transformation ultimately leads to ***honoring God over our idols***, and ***the Spirit over our flesh***.



## He Moved to Bethel

<sup>3</sup>Then come, let us go up to Bethel, where I will build an altar to God, who answered me in the day of my distress and who has been with me wherever I have gone.

Genesis 35:3





## He Moved to Bethel

“**Dwell**” – to establish a place of habitation; to settle your life



## He Moved to Bethel

<sup>23</sup>Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>***And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another***—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:23-25



## He Built God an Altar

9God appeared to Jacob again, when he came from Paddan-aram, *and blessed him*. 10And God said to him, "Your name is Jacob; **no longer shall your name be called Jacob, but Israel shall be your name.**" So he called his name Israel.

Genesis 35:9-15



## He Built God an Altar

<sup>11</sup>And God said to him, *"I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply. A nation and a company of nations shall come from you, and kings shall come from your own body. <sup>12</sup>The land that I gave to Abraham and Isaac I will give to you, and I will give the land to your offspring after you."*

Genesis 35:9-15



## He Built God an Altar

<sup>13</sup>Then God went up from him in the place where he had spoken with him. <sup>14</sup>And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he had spoken with him, a pillar of stone. He poured out a drink offering on it and poured oil on it. <sup>15</sup>So Jacob called the name of the place where God had spoken with him Bethel.

Genesis 35:9-15