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The Story Behind the Christmas Story

Christmas Opens Heaven

John 1:43-51 (Page 887 in the blue Bible)

Introduction

1. Jacob's Ladder

2. Jesus, the True and Better Ramp

3. Our Response

Digging Deeper

This week's passages:

Monday: Genesis 28:10-22

Tuesday: John 1:43-51

Wednesday: Revelation 4

Thursday: Hebrews 4:14-5:10

Friday: Acts 4:1-31

Weekend: Review the most meaningful passage of the week.

Our series The Story Behind the Christmas Story, will take us into a study of John. You are invited to read each day's passage and then respond to the following prompts. You might find it beneficial to use a journal or notebook to record insights.

1. **Read** the passage prayerfully, listening for the voice of God and asking him to speak to you.
2. **Record** or write down the word, phrase, or verse that God impresses upon you.
3. **Reflect** and write down what it is about this word, phrase or verse that is meaningful to you.
4. **Respond** by writing a prayer or recording what it is that you think the Lord wants you to do in response to his word ("*Be doers of the word and not hearers only*" James 1:22).