

**“Behold, 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 spoken to you.’**

**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 28:15-17**

**“Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it.**

**And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously.**

**Genesis 28:18-19**

**“Then Jacob made a vow, saying, ‘If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God. And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You.’”** **Genesis 28:20-22**

# Jacob's Conditional Vow **Genesis 28:20-22**

## 1. Conditions For God? "If...Then"

### (1 Human Uncertainty

1) **Scams:** ATM recording Pin#;

Some Drive-by Voting Boxes Not Legal;

Bank/Credit Card Needs You To Verify Info!

2) **Distrust** **Matthew 10:34-36**

3) **Doubt** **John 10:24-26**

4) **Delay** **Proverbs 10:26**

### (2 GOD DOES NOT HAVE A MAN'S:

1) **INCONSISTENCY** **Numbers 23:19**

2) **INDIFFERENCE** **Philippians 4:19**

3) **INSENSITIVITY** **Proverbs 15:3**

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## 2. "Then?" Why Not NOW?

1) Jacob States His Confidence In God

2) Man's Doubt **Matthew 14:24-32**

3) Man's Unbelief **Mark 9:14-29 (V. 24)**

## 3. Jacob Vows Faithfulness To God

1) "Stone" to mark "place" (God's House)

2) Tithe (10<sup>th</sup>) to mark his dedication

3) God's House is the church **1 Tim. 3:15**

**DO WE REMEMBER THIS AT WORSHIP TIMES?**

**DO WE GIVE ENOUGH TO SHOW DEVOTION?**

**SALVATION & CHURCH **ACTS 2:38, 47****