



Part  
5

## Facing Tests on the Way

This week Pastor Ken continued the series *Dream Again*. We are looking together at the Biblical principle of the birth, death, and resurrection of a dream and how to dream again after a very difficult year. So, gather with your family or go through these points alone each week and let's grow together.

*Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.* Ephesians 3:20

1. Faith requires us to have perseverance and learning from the life of Jacob will help us to be tenacious (read Genesis 32:22-24). There will always be an obstacle, problem or struggle to overcome on the way to your dream. What challenges are you facing right now in your life?
2. Life is not about avoiding the struggles but embracing them as a part of your journey on the way to your dream (read 2 Corinthians 4:8-9). Jacob simply would not give up, even if it would take all night and at one point his hip is dislocated (read Genesis 32:25-28).
3. One thing that will help you to have perseverance is to keep your eye on the prize (read Matthew 25:21). Also, remember that God is working on developing your character while you are working on your dream.
4. Where does God want to change your name like He changed Jacob's name to Israel? Maybe it could be one of the following or allow God to make up your own name.
  - Addict to freedom
  - Timid to courage
  - Victim to victorious
  - Loser to winner
5. Jacob asked for a blessing. Will you let God give you His blessing today?

Close in prayer