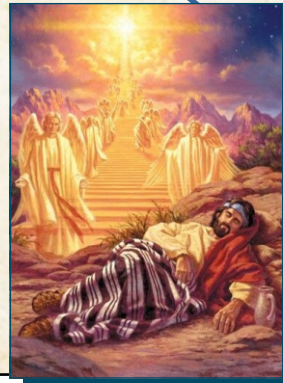
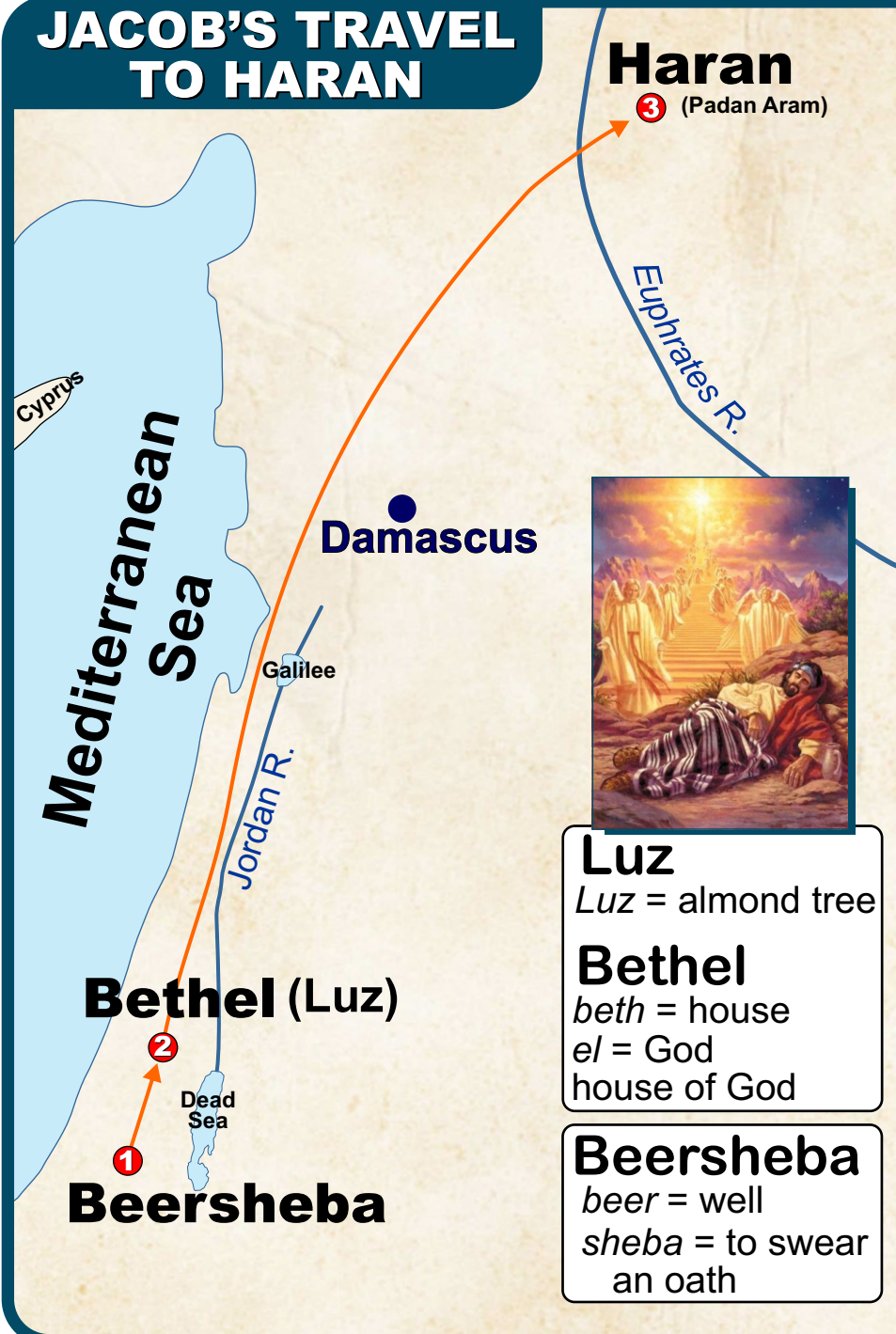


JACOB'S TRAVEL TO HARAN



Luz

Luz = almond tree

Bethel

beth = house
el = God
house of God

Beersheba

beer = well
sheba = to swear
an oath

GENESIS 28

Jacob's Promised Protection

OUTLINE

- Instruction To Not Take a Canaanite Wife (v.1-2)
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- Jacob's Vow Unto God (v.20-22)

JACOB'S LADDER DREAM

- This "certain place" (Ge.28:11) is about to be renamed.

"Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it." (Ge.28:12)

"And He said to him, Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man." (Jn.1:51)

- Jesus uses this staircase in **John 1:51** to describe Himself. The ladder symbolizes Jesus Christ.
- The ladder pictures Christ as the only way from earth to heaven.
- The angels are ascending and descending. The order shows the angels have already been guiding Jacob's daily life.
- The point of the story is that God was already present with Jacob wherever he went.
- Jesus does not merely show us the way. He is the way (Jn.14:6).