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# RE- FLECTING GOD

**10/25/15 - Get The Ladder!**

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John 1:43-51

Bravely a child climbs a tree. Suddenly, high up, fear takes over. The child won't move and refuses to come down. At first, those on the ground encourage the child with their words: "It's safe to come down. We will catch you." Yet no amount of coaxing will make the child come down. Finally, someone puts a ladder up to the tree, climbs up, and brings the child down. All is well!

God uses the picture of going up and down to describe His relationship with us. In Genesis 28, Jacob dreams of a ladder between heaven and earth. The angels go up and down. God's purpose was to assure Jacob that He would be with him and watch over him. In John 1, Jesus, the Son of God, meets Nathanael. Nathanael expressed faith because of Jesus' supernatural ability. "Jesus said, 'You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that'" (v. 50).

Jesus is the Way, our Ladder from earth to heaven.

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