## Jacob's Story- A Lesson on Tithing by Heidi Jones

Read: "Stairway to Heaven" in the <u>Action Bible</u> by Sergio Cariello or a similar version from another children's Bible. Also read Genesis 28:22.

Activity #1: Act out the action rhyme with the children. It would be a fun one to do in the front of the congregation as well! Optional Materials: Small, ladder, angel wings, building blocks or bricks.

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Activity #2: An introductory lesson on tithing.

Materials: Chocolate gold pirate coins; ten for each child.

- 1. Give each child ten "coins." (Don't eat yet!)
- 2. Now ask each child to give you back one coin.
- 3. Tell the children that just like you, God gives us all that we have. Just like Jacob did, He wants us to give back a small amount to show our love and thankfulness to Him.
  - 4. Re-read Genesis 28:22.
  - 5. Eat your chocolate coins!

Tithing lesson written by Apostle Brian McIndoo for advanced teens & adults.

## I. PAY TITHING - GENERALLY CALCULATED AS BEING 10 PERCENT OF YOUR INCREASE

Hebrews 7:1-9 – "To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all;..." Alma 10:8,9 - "And it was this same Melchisedec to whom Abraham paid tithes: yea, even our father Abraham paid tithes of one tenth part of all that he possessed."

PAYING TITHES WAS PRACTICED THROUGHOUT TIME, AND IS GIVING BACK TO GOD A PORTION OF WHAT HE HAS GIVEN YOU. Genesis 14:17-20 – "And he gave him tithes of all." Exodus 23:16-19 – "The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God." Leviticus 27:30-33 – "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's..." Deuteronomy 12:6 – "And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, "Numbers 18:24-28 – "But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto the Lord" Nehemiah 13: 10-14 – "Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the treasuries." Proverbs 15:16 – "Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith" Amos 4:4 – "... bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes" Malachi 3:7-11- "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings."

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