

2nd Sunday after Epiphany John 1:43-51

Jacob (Israel) deceitfully grasped after his father's blessing (Gen 27:36)



Esau hated Jacob (cf Cain/Abel)
(Gen 27.41-42)

Jacob's dream (Gen 28.12-17)
Angels **ascending** and **descending**
(despite deception: Promise of land and descendants
'this is the **house of God** and the **gate of heaven**')

Jesus open-handed (non grasping)
self-emptying (Phil. 2:3-6)



Cosmic Peace (reconciliation of enemies)
(Micah 4)
Every person under own fig tree

Jesus **ascends** (glorified) on the cross (John 12:32)
Jesus is the **gate of heaven** (union with Father) (John 10.9)
Jesus **descends** as bread of life (John 6)
Humans are the '**household**' (residence) of God (John 14)