

Home Group Study Questions: *Week of June 21 – Jacob*

Genesis 28-32

1. What was significant about Jacob & Esau's birth? What did God tell Rebekah?
2. What does Jacob's name mean?
3. What was so important about a "birthright"? How did Jacob take advantage of Esau?
4. Is Jacob very Godly at this point? What fruit does his life show?
5. When Isaac, Jacob's father, is nearing his end how does Jacob deceive him? Did he do it alone?
6. What was their motivation? Were they "helping" the prophecy to come true?
7. What was the outcome of this deception? Did he earn the blessing?
8. On his way to his Uncle Laban's, what was Jacob's vision and God's promise?
9. In vs. 20-22, how did Jacob respond to God's covenant? Have you ever laid out conditions on your relationship with God? What happened?
10. What deception(s) and conditions did Jacob experience with Uncle Laban?
11. How did that affect the rest of the family? How did God show his faithfulness?
12. When Jacob, his family, flocks and all who were with him left Laban's land ... what were his fears? "What" else did Jacob wrestle with?
13. Why did the Lord change his name and leave him with a limp? Whose hearts were changed in the brothers' reunion?
14. How does faith factor into this story?
15. Have you wrestled with God? What was your motivation?
16. Who won ... does it show in your life? Do you reflect God's grace & mercy?
17. What can keep us from asking & receiving God's blessing?