

Life Group Questions

THE LIFE OF JACOB

Part 3: Blessed to be a Blessing

Connect

What kind of things strengthen your confidence? What weakens it?

Engage

Read Genesis 32:7-12. This scene takes place as Jacob prepares to see his brother Esau for the first time since Jacob tricked him and then ran away from home.

1. What is Jacob feeling and why?
 2. What is Jacob's appeal to God?
 3. At this point in Jacob's story, what's the status of God's blessing? Does it not apply anymore or is it still true? Why?
 4. Would Jacob agree with your answer? Why or why not?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 9:11. According to the Apostle Paul, what is the ultimate outcome of a blessing received?

Apply

1. When have you experienced fear and distress and reacted like Jacob did? What was your view of God's blessing during that time?
2. "The only way to experience blessing is to be a blessing." How have you experienced this statement to be true in your own life?
3. Try to identify one thing: a problem, a person, a ministry who needs a helping hand... what is it? How can you bless them this week?