

Small Group Discussion Questions
Epic Journey #5 God Hunt - Genesis 24-50

1) On Sunday it was mentioned that many people in our culture feel that the bible is irrelevant to them. That it is out of sync with our modern lives and current struggles.

- a) Why do you think this perception is so prevalent?
- b) Have you felt this way?

2) As we read the story of Jacob we see the deceiver deceived. We see him learn a 14 year lesson.

- a) Why do you think God chose to use deception to teach Jacob? Was it for the sake of justice? Or was it an act of mercy on his life?
- b) Have you ever noticed God working in similar ways in your own life?

3) As we zoom in on this story we see the heart break of the girl (Leah) who was used by her father to deceive Jacob. In Genesis 29:31 we see that God noticed this and blessed Leah.

- a) What does this tell us about our Heavenly Father?
- b) Has there ever been a time in your life when God responded to a personal crisis or a time of heartbreak?

4) After Jacob we see the story of his favorite son Joseph emerging. We see Joseph quite prideful in his position of undeserved favor.

- a) What significance do you see in the fact that Joseph was sold into slavery?

5) One thing we see clearly in these stories is the redemptive nature of God in using imperfect people to fulfill his perfect will.

- a) What does this tell you about your own life as a follower of Jesus?
- b) Would your life change if you felt the freedom God offers all his children?