## JACOB - PERSISTING FOR THE BEAUTIFUL

Dwelling Place Church Many Ways to Many People

Genesis 29:16-21 - Now Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17 Leah's eyes were delicate, but Rachel was beautiful of form and appearance. 18 Now Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for Rachel your younger daughter." 19 And Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to another man. Stay with me." 20 So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed only a few days to him because of the love he had for her. 21 Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in to her."

#### I. Introduction (Gen 28:1-5)

- a. Isaac's blessing
  - i. Bless you. Only by the blessing of God can you be truly fruitful.
  - ii. Make you fruitful. Only by continual fruitfulness can you multiply.
  - iii. Multiply you. Only by multiplication can there be "peoples."
    - 1. The Result:
      - a. Be an assembly of peoples.
      - b. Give you the blessing of Abraham; that you may inherit the land.
- b. Isaac's charge
  - You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan.
  - ii. Take a wife from the daughters of Laban, your mother's brother.
- iii. Spiritual fathers care about the context for the seed. c. Laying on the stone (Gen 28:10-19)
  - - i. The ladder
    - ii. Angelic assistance iii. The Lord is in "this place."
      - 1. How do you become more aware of God's manifest presence?
        - a. What your mind is placed upon.
        - b. Let God's promises undergird you.
        - c. Be open to the "now" word and work of God.
    - iv. The gate of heaven and the house of God
    - Set it as your pillar

    - vi. There is oil vii. Restful contentment
    - viii. The tithe

#### II. Rachel (Gen 29:1-30)

- a. A shepherdess b. Beautiful of form and appearance
- c. 7 years of love
- d. Loving days

#### III. Persisting for the Beautiful

- a. The Beautiful
  - i. Not Just Your Reflection
  - ii. Fit
  - iii. People Oriented
  - iv. Form
  - v. And Appearance

  - vi. Obedient to the Father
- b. Persisting
  - i. Consider
    - 1. Romans 8:18
    - 2. James 1:12 The Crown
  - ii. Conviction
    - 1. Romans 14:2-8
    - 2. Nehemiah 6:3 "I am doing a great work..."
  - iii. Character
    - 2 Peter 1:6 Knowledge & Self-control

  - iv. The cloud
    - 1. Hebrews 12:1
  - v. Come to Him
    - 1. Matthew 11:28-29

    - Matthew 6:6 Close the Door
       Nehemiah 6:9 "Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands."
  - vi. Continually Praise
    - 1. Luké 2:36-38
    - 2. Luke 24:53

## **WELCOME!**

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

## **GATHER**

#### Sundays in June - 9a + 11a They Walked With God Heroes of Faith From The Old Testament

Heroes often emerge from unexpected places. Their lives teach us important lessons about what to do, and sometimes, what not to do. Many of these characters seem larger than life – overcoming unbelievable odds on their path to victory. Their secret? They walked with God. In this series, we will explore four Old Testament individuals who walked with God. You will learn how God can use anyone to accomplish great things. You don't need to be a powerful and wealthy leader to have influence. Obeying God, even in the small things, can impact history.

# GO

#### Ansley Park Back to School Bash -Saturday, July 16 - 5p-7p

Join us as we serve Ansley Park - a local community in Woodstock - with free backpacks full of school supplies, games, food and more! You can sign up now at the Next Steps table to volunteer, or give a donation. \$15 provides a backpack full of supplies for one student.

# **GROUP**

### Sunday, June 19 -Connect Group Night

If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

#### GROW

#### Thursday, June 16 -7p - 9p Night Tenof our Spring Semester of Growth Phases

Join us for the tenth night of our spring semester of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

## GIVE

## "His Blueprint" Capital Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!

We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022 \$220,000

Commitment Levels:

<u>One time Legacy Gifts</u>

20K - Gold Legacy Gift

10K - Silver Legacy Gift

1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges \$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.