

Family Worship
Week of February 25, 2024

Instruction: Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

Sermon Meditations: God Preserves His People

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 26:6-35 (focus on vs. 6-9)
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "God preserves us in our sin." Immediately following God's instruction to Isaac and a reminder of his promises, what is surprising about Isaac's behavior? Why did Isaac lie? How did Isaac's behavior show he wasn't trusting in God? Isaac is the promised son but what does his behavior tell us about the need for a Messiah?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 26:6-35 (focus on vs. 12-25)
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "God preserves us by his blessing and promises." Canaan is in the midst of a famine and Isaac is reaping a harvest. What does this tell us about God and what does it teach Abimelech about Isaac's God? Isaac is then forced to leave his fields for a valley where it is a struggle to find water. How did the fields of plenty prepare him for the valley of hardship? Why does God reiterate his promises to Isaac? Why do we need to hear the gospel over and over again?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 26:6-35 (focus on vs. 26-35)
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "God preserves his kingdom." God told us since the fall that there would be two kingdoms in this world. How has he humbled Abimelech before Isaac? Why was the covenant Abimelech made not enough to save him eternally? Esau was from the family of Abraham, why was this not enough to save him eternally? Who must our hope and faith be in for eternal life?
- Close in Prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 27:1-29
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Hebrews 27:1-29
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer