

Family Worship
Week of April 14, 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: The Deceiver Deceived

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 29:1-30; Hebrews 12:5-11
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's first point was "God disciplines those he loves." Do you see how God is leading Jacob through a bit of a taste of his own medicine? It is not for spite, but for love. Jacob must learn to hate his sin. When others sin against you, are you reminded that you, too, are a sinner? Are you reminded of God's grace toward you? Are you moved to be gracious to others?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 29:1-30; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Romans 1:21-23
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's second point was "Petition and thanksgiving ought to mark the life of a Christian." Jacob, unlike the servant of Abraham in Genesis 24, did not pray to God for success or wisdom, nor did he give thanks to God when God provided. The outcome in the short-term was hardship. Is there anything too small to pray to God about? Anything too small for which to give thanks to him?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Genesis 29:1-30; Philippians 2:1-11
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's third point was "Christ loves us with a perfect love." Do you see Christ in this text? A son, sent by his Father, away from home, empty-handed, to find a bride, and to win her by becoming a servant? What do we learn about Christ's love for us from this passage of Genesis?
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: Genesis 29:31-30:24
- 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: Genesis 29:31-30:24
- 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