

AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 MINUTES)

- **Check in:** Let each person share how their challenge went this week and one thing that God has taught them in facing it.
- **Pray:** Pray specifically for both those who struggled with the challenge and those who met their goal. Ask God to reveal truth and continue the work he began in each person.

BIBLE DISCOVERY (35 MINUTES)

- **Big Idea (Watch Video):** We must honor God with our life decisions.
- **Bible Passage:** Read Genesis 24 (It's super long; you should take turns)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. This story takes place in a culture where marriage is a family affair.
 - Is there anything significant about the setting, events, or interactions that took place?
 - Were there any surprises, puzzles, things you don't like or don't understand in the story?
2. What does this story teach us about God?
 - How does God provide for needs and how does he open up opportunities for faith?
 - How is God personally involved with Abraham, Isaac, the servant, and Rebekah?
3. Each character plays a role in the story.
 - How does Abraham honor God in selecting a wife and a home for his son?
 - How does Abraham's servant demonstrate faithfulness to both Abraham and God?
 - Rebekah checks all the boxes. How does she demonstrate godly character?
 - Rebekah's brother, Laban seems hospitable, but what hints do we have that he may actually be serving his own interests? How does he aid and/or interrupt the process?
 - In what ways do Rebekah's parents show courageous faith and support her?
 - The point of the story is finding a wife for Isaac. How well does he receive her?
4. What applications can we make for Christian life?
 - Should Christians select, date, and marry spouses differently than the culture around us?
 - Are there any principles we can take from this story for making wise decisions or taking God-honoring risks? (Especially consider Abraham's servant and Rebekah)

CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 MINUTES)

- **One Change:** Each person must identify one specific action to personally respond to the Word of God. Remember to be specific.
- **Pray:** Close by praying for each member to be faithful to the Bible challenge and responsive to the Holy Spirit in the coming week. Since it is God who makes the changes in our lives, we should place our desire for growth on him.