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LifeGroups
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TRANSFORMATION

"And we... are being transformed into His likeness."

2 Corinthians 3:18

CHETS TOP 5

Women's Bible
Studies Begin

February 8th • 7:00 p.m.
February 9th • 9:30 a.m.

Life University
Classes Began

February 3rd • 7:00 p.m.

Campus Baptism
February 28th

On Purpose
Ministries House
Needs

Collecting donations for the
next two weeks

SAT Prep Classes

February 20th, 27th &
March 6th
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Discussion Guide

Life Sentences - "Rachel"

FOCUS: to examine the manipulative nature of Rachel and Leah and discuss how God blesses despite their sinful ways.

"When Rachel saw that she was not bearing Jacob any children, she became jealous of her sister. So she said to Jacob, "Give me children, or I'll die!" Genesis 30:1 (NIV)

1. Why did God bless Leah with four sons? (Genesis 29:31)
2. Does this mean that Jacob hated Leah?
3. How does God causing Leah to have four sons speak of His compassion?
4. How does God show you compassion?
5. What was Rachel's motivation for giving Bilhah to Jacob? (30:1)
6. What was Jacob's reaction to Rachel's manipulation? (v. 2)
7. Why does God delay His blessings from His children from time to time?
8. How did Leah fall into the same manipulative pattern as Rachel? (v. 9)
9. Rachel continued to manipulate (vs. 14-16) and God repaid her with two more children. Rachel and Leah give poor examples of trusting patiently for God's promises. How patient are you in trusting God to fulfill the promises in your life?

10. List the children of Jacob in chronological order:

Leah

Bilhah

Zilpah

Rachel

11. Rachel's life mission was to provide Jacob children. She died giving birth to Benjamin. She gave her life to fulfill her calling. What sacrifices are you willing to make for the cause of Christ?



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Read Thru the Bible

"How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey. Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life. Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path."

Psalm 119:103-105

Feb	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm	Proverbs
7	Exodus 19:1-20:26	Matthew 24:1-14	18:43-50	4:14-17
8	Exodus 21:1-22:20	Matthew 24:15-35	19:1-6	4:18-19
9	Exodus 22:21-24:18	Matthew 24:36-51	19:7-14	4:20-22
10	Exodus 25:1-26:14	Matthew 25:1-13	20:1-9	4:23-24
11	Exodus 26:15-28:14	Matthew 25:14-30	21:1-7	4:25-27
12	Exodus 28:15-29:25	Matthew 25:31-26:5	21:8-13	5:1-2
13	Exodus 29:26-30:38	Matthew 26:6-25	22:1-5	5:3-6
14	Exodus 31:1-32:35	Matthew 26:26-50	22:6-10	5:7-8
15	Exodus 33:1-34:35	Matthew 26:51-75	22:11-15	5:9-10

LifeGroup Prayer Requests:

"You are not responsible for everyone in the church family - but you are responsible to them. So speak encouraging words to one another. Build up hope so you'll all be together in this, no one left out, no one left behind."

1 Thessalonians 5:11

LOOKING TOWARD NEXT SUNDAY

Job - Job 1:8

To examine the sufferings of Job and be challenged to live a life of hope even in the midst of trials.

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 8, 2010

Read Job 1:1-5 What do you know about Job?

1 In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil. 2 He had seven sons and three daughters, 3 and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East. 4 His sons used to take turns holding feasts in their homes, and they would invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. 5 When a period of feasting had run its course, Job would send and have them purified. Early in the morning he would sacrifice a burnt offering for each of them, thinking, "Perhaps my children have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." This was Job's regular custom.

- Where did Job live?
- What size family did Job have?
- Was Job wealthy?
- How would you describe Job's character?
- Would you say that Job had a good life and had been blessed many times over by God?
- What is your life like today? Is it good and blessed? Spend some time today asking God to reveal to you His blessing in your life. Then thank Him for all He has done for you.

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 9, 2010

Read Job 1:8 What was God's take on Job's life?

8 Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil."

- What did God think about Job's life?
- What did Satan think about Job's life?
- Why do you think God allowed Job to suffer as he did?
- Is suffering a result of sin in one's life?
- What do you think God would say about your life? What would Satan say?

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WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 10, 2010

Read Job 1:20-21 How are you when things go bad?

20 At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship 21 and said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised."

- What was Job's first response to the news that his children and all their possessions were destroyed? How would you have responded?
- In our society today, we are always looking for who or what to blame. What is your response to Job 1:22?
- Why do you think God allows things to come into our lives that are not good? Today read and meditate on James 1:2-4.

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THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 11, 2010

Read Job 2:9-10 In Whom do you trust?

9 His wife said to him, "Are you still holding on to your integrity? Curse God and die!"

10 He replied, "You are talking like a foolish [a] woman. Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?"
In all this, Job did not sin in what he said.

- In the midst of depression, hurt, suffering, Job attempted to turn to his wife and friends, but he found no answers to his questions about the physical and emotional hurts he was experiencing. When life hands us a very difficult time, why do we not turn to God for the answers to our questions, for the solace that only He can give?
- Today place all your hurts and suffering on the alter of your heart and allow God to show you and teach you and heal you in the name of Jesus Christ.

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FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 12, 2010

Read Job 42:1-6 Job's conclusion

1 Then Job replied to the LORD : 2 "I know that you can do all things; no plan of yours can be thwarted. 3 You asked, 'Who is this that obscures my counsel without knowledge?' Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know. 4 "You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me.' 5 My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. 6 Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes."

- Job hurt just as you and I would. Emotionally, physically, mentally, and spiritually he was wounded, but after all was said and done Job said, "Now my eyes see Thee. Therefore I give way to you Lord, and I repent in dust and ashes."
- Do your eyes see Him today? Is He Savior and Lord of your life today?

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