



Beginnings 13

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Genesis 28, 32

1. Kev began his sermon by describing the honeymoon period of faith.

**Do you remember a time, either when you first put your faith in Jesus or when your faith finally became your own, where you had no problem fully trusting God?

**Do you remember a time when life's struggles brought your life crashing down back to earth?

2. Read Genesis 32:3-12, which describes how nervous Jacob was to meet Esau. Remember how the two parted ways in Genesis 27:41-42.

**What would you expect this reunion to be like?

For more discussion: Read Genesis 33:1-11

**Based on your previous discussion, what is so shocking about what the reunion actually was like?

**What caused Esau to forgive Jacob?

For even more discussion: Read Genesis 32:23-32.

**What was the purpose of the wrestling? Why did Jacob not give up?

**What is the significance of this story in its context (surrounding it is the story of the reunion of Jacob and Esau)?

3. Kev talked in several different ways about the idea that your faith in God should be the highest priority. He said, "Don't take a good thing and make it a God thing," and, "Jesus is not a supplement." This question has been asked in various forms in past discussion guides, but revisit it:

**What have you put ahead of God?

**Since identifying this last time, have you made strides in putting it in its proper perspective?