



Community Group Study Guide

Week of: April 14, 2024

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Topic: Full of Grace & Truth

Passage(s): Genesis 25:28; Genesis 37; John 1:14.

Introduction to Lesson: 30,000-foot view of Genesis: What God is doing in human redemption.

Ice Breaker: Have you read or studied philosophy? Talk some familiar philosophies.

Discussion and Application:

Point 1: **God chooses a family.** Why did/does mankind need dramatic change? How would YOU address a global problem? How did God? Do you think he still does so today?

Point 2: **Tabula Rosa.** Do you agree with this philosophy? How does this philosophy influence your view of who God chose? What does this say about God's design on our lives?

Point 3: **Freud and the family of origin.** Describe his philosophy. Describe your family of origin. What influences do you carry? How did Jacob's origin family impact Joseph?

Point 4: **Overcoming dysfunction.** In 1:14. What does it mean to be "full of grace and truth"? Are you more "grace" or "truth"? How can these be used to turn around dysfunction?

Going Deeper:

Reflection: Where do you carry unhealthy patterns that might come from your family of origin?

Rate your emotional health. What dysfunctions have you identified and persistently worked to

overcome? Where should you start? Where might you need encouragement? Where might you

need to seek help?
