

## Week 2// A New People

### Genesis 12-50

#### Intro//

Genesis 1-11 gave us the big picture, broad brush strokes of God's story, but the lens changes in chapters 12-50 as we focus in more intimately on Abraham and his offspring. We go from looking at the cosmos through a telescope, to studying in microscopic detail the highs and lows of four generations of one family. Their journey is far from straightforward, but through it all we're introduced to key themes in God's story such, from calling to covenant, blessing to rebuilding relationships.

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#### Discussion Questions//

1. Genesis 12-50 focuses almost entirely on four generations of one family. Where have you seen or heard about God at work within your family-tree? How has this impacted you?
2. The new people God forms make many mistakes/missteps, causing each other great harm along the way. Do you find this challenging, encouraging or otherwise?
  - a. *If we're meant to be shaped by God's story, what are we to do with/how are we to learn from characters we wouldn't want to imitate?*
3. In what way(s) have you been blessed or experienced God's favour? How might God be calling you to use this blessing for the benefit of others?
4. Do you recognise any particular locations in your life where you sense God has deliberately *placed* you in order to make a difference?
  - a. *What were some of the highlights and challenges of this experience?*
5. This section begins with the promise that Abraham's family will multiply massively. It ends however, with a small group of his ancestors in exile. What does this tell us about the timeframe of God's promises?
  - a. *Have you experienced long-awaited breakthrough before? Where are you hoping for that right now?*

## Reading Plan//

1	Genesis 21-22	Isaac
2	Genesis 37	Joseph (1)
3	Genesis 39-41	Joseph (2)
4	Genesis 45.1-46.7	Rescue
5	Exodus 1-2	Moses
6	Exodus 3.1-4.17	Burning Bush
7	Exodus 6.28-7.25; 12.29-32	Plagues