



## Week 2: Like Father, Like Son

Few things shape a person more than the family they grew up in. Perhaps no Bible character demonstrates this truth more than Isaac. While he repeats his father's greatest mistake, he also replicates his incredible faith, reminding us that our choices, both good and bad, can have an extraordinary impact on future generations. Genesis 26 teaches the importance of not simply passing our faith onto our kids, but pressing our faith into them so that when everything else gets stripped away, faith still remains.

### Discussion Questions:

1. Fun question: What's the best AND worst thing you got from your mom or dad (i.e. physical trait, behavioral trait, annoying habit, etc.)
2. **Read Genesis 26:7-11.** Isaac repeats the sin of his father which tells us that our choices can have generational consequences. How have you seen this play out in your family or others' families? Is there a sin or behavior that you've carried over into your family that you want to put an end to? How can the group help you with that?
3. **Read Genesis 26:12-25.** Isaac caught more than Abraham's sin, he caught his faith and humility. What role did your family play in shaping your faith? How would you like your own children to answer that question?
4. Discuss the importance of investing in your child's spiritual journey versus their worldly success. What does this look like practically in your family? If you have older children, what did this look like for you?
5. How does Isaac's choice to seek peace over conflict challenge our cultural norms today? In what ways can you practice imitating the humility of your Heavenly Father in your daily interactions, especially in highly charged situations?