

Life Group Questions
For the week of June 12, 2016
Special Guest: Pastor Fred Rodriguez

REVIEW: Genesis 45:25-28 was our text from Sunday. As you read it again and from what Pastor Fred taught on Sunday, is there anything you'd like to comment on or any questions you have?

MY STORY: Pastor Fred shared that "along our walk with God, we need to be revived or 'born-again' in order for us to see and enter into all that God has for us." What area/s in your spiritual walk needs to be revived/born-again? Is it PRAYER, PRAISE, FAITH, HOPE, VISION, ENTHUSIASM, or PASSION?

1. Put yourself in Jacob's place for a moment. In Genesis 37:35 it says Jacob "refused to be comforted and when down into the grave of his son in mourning." What are you feeling?

-For the past 20 years, Jacob has been held captive by false evidence, Joseph's coat dipped in the blood of a goat. What has held you captive from moving forward with God?

2. Read Joel 2:28. When we have a personal contact with the Holy Spirit, he will give us a dream and vision for our life. What are the dreams and visions for your life?

-If you don't have a dream or vision for your life, what is keeping you from making a personal contact with the Holy Spirit?

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1. Pastor Fred shared Romans 9:13 which states, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." What were the character qualities in the Jacob that caused God to love him? What negative character qualities were in Esau to cause God to use the word "hated?"

2. Here is your bonus Jeopardy question. Remember you do not have to answer it but I hope you give it a shot. In Matthew 11:12 Jesus says, "...the Kingdom of Heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force." What do you think Jesus means by this?

3. Pastor Fred encouraged the congregation to be desperate for God. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. The New Living Translation of verse 16 says, "...to come boldly to the throne of our gracious God." What are some of the areas that we can "boldly" approach God?

TAKING IT HOME: What is the one thing from Sunday or your life group questions that you need to begin to put into practice or correct in your life by the Holy Spirit's power?

PRAYER REQUESTS: