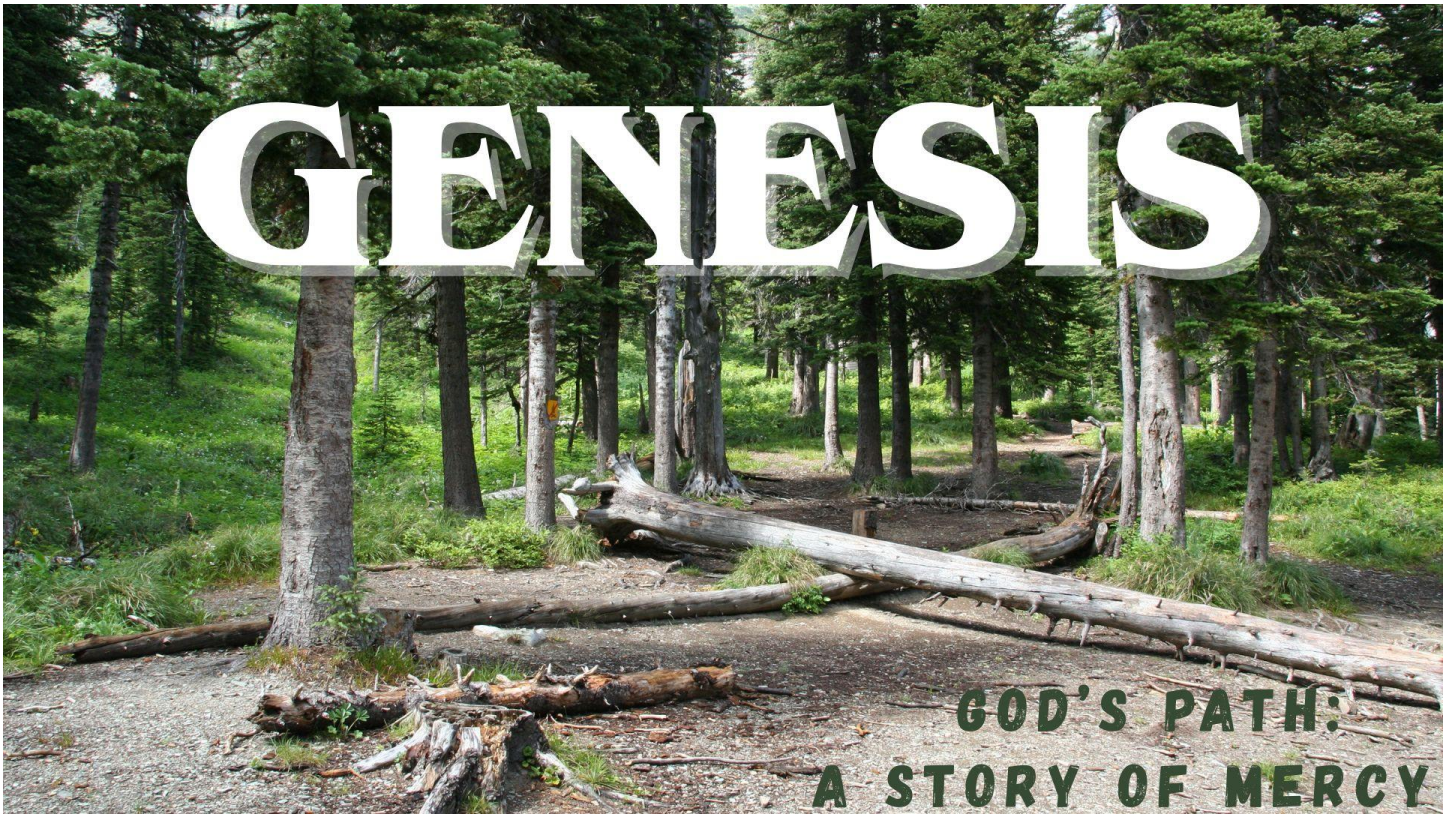

Sermon Discussion Questions for July 26, 2026.
Genesis 26:34-28:9 Family Characters and God's Mercy

1. What did you hear the Spirit say to you? What will you do in response to what the Spirit said?
2. What do you think of the birthright concept? Is there anything like it in today's world? Does or should being the oldest child carry extra responsibilities?
3. The Father's blessing was highly valued. Do we put much value on the blessing of a parent? If a parent, have you thought about pronouncing a specific blessing over your children?
4. Do you remember the 1st time you heard or read this story? Or maybe, if you heard this story as a child, what were your thoughts of each of the characters? Can you identify with one of the four characters? In what ways do you see each of them in the world today?
5. Are there places in your life, or in the life of your family, where you or we acted like one of these characters and yet, looking back, you can see how God was faithful and kept his promise.
6. After studying these characters, reflect on Jesus' teaching in Matthew 7:1-5. Are the two connected? Explain your response.

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