

Day 1 Read Genesis 23 and Hebrews 11:9-10 & 11:16

- 1. Why do you think Abraham paid a very inflated price to buy this land even though God had told him it would eventually be his? (Genesis 15:12-16)
- 2. Based on the text, how do you think Abraham felt about the death of Sarah?
- 3. Read Matthew 5:4, John 11:33-35, and Isaiah 58:11. Why should we take the time to grieve and mourn the loss of loved ones?

Day 2 Read Genesis 25:1-10

- 1. What stands out to you about the last years of Abraham's life and his death?
- 2. Read Matthew 5:5, 27:51-53, John 19:40, 1 Cor. 15:35-49, and Revelation 21:2-3. Why do you think burial (rather than cremation) has become the primary method of treatment for handling our dead as Christians?

Day 3 Read Genesis 25:11-23

- 1. What do you learn about Ishmael and Isaac individually in this text?
- 2. How has your birth order and family structure impacted your life?

Day 4 Read Genesis 25:24-34

- 1. How did sibling rivalry start and propagate in this family?
- 2. Why do you think Esau assigned so little value to his birthright?
- 3. Read John 1:12, Psalm 2:7-8, Galatians 3:29, Ephesians 1:18, and Hebrews 11:16. As a Christian, what is your birthright and how much value do you assign to it?