

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church and can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme or Ponder Point and spending time together in GOD's Word.

✦ Ponder Point ✦

GOD BLESSES **(Jacob)**

Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1-41; 32 - 33:11

REMEMBER VERSE

Know therefore that the Lord
Your GOD is GOD;
He is the faithful GOD,
Keeping his covenant of love
To a thousand generations of
Those who love him and
Keep his commandments

Deuteronomy 7:9

DID YOU KNOW??

Share these facts to get the conversation started:

- Jacob fled his home, afraid of his brother Esau, whom he had tricked out of his birthright.
- Jacob physically wrestled with GOD, refusing to let go until GOD blessed him.
- GOD changed Jacob's name to "Israel," which means "one who strives with GOD."
- GOD both blessed and broke Jacob so He could use Jacob for His purposes.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Hold a family thumb-wrestling match. Have two family members face each other, link hands in a monkey grip, and arrange their hands in a "thumbs up" position. Then have each player try to pin the thumb of her opponent. After the match, read **Genesis 32:26-28**. Talk about how Jacob wrestled with GOD and how it resulted in blessing for his life.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Why do you think Jacob stole Esau's birthright?
- How did GOD bless Jacob?
- What are some ways GOD has blessed you?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about **how GOD blesses us** into your everyday life as a family.

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A Blessing To Pray Over Your Child:-
(Child's name), may your life overflow with thankfulness for GOD's blessings. May you pass on His blessings to others.

For more information about blessing your child, go to truministry.com to the Video Blog tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com