Text: Genesis 26:1-17

Topics: Faith, Fear, God's Covenant Series: Genesis: The Beginning of His-tory Monroe Bible Church October 31, 2021 Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl

A Father's Son

I. A Promised Blessing (1-5)

God <u>assured</u> Isaac that His covenant with Abraham would be fulfilled <u>through</u> him.

II. A Protected Blessing (6-11)

God showed Isaac that he should <u>trust</u> God and not <u>fear</u> man.

III. A Proven Blessing (12-17)

God showed Isaac that He could keep His promise despite *obstacles*.

I can trust God to keep His promises to me!

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

- 1. Can you think of a situation you were in when you needed someone's help and either it came through, or didn't? How did it affect you?
- 2. Read Genesis 26:1-5. What is the setting?

What did God tell Isaac about the present, and the future? Why is this significant?

Can you identify blessing(s) God has for you that are tied to obeying His instructions?

Can you identify promise(s) that are <u>not</u> tied to your obedience?

3. In Genesis 26:6-11 we see Isaac in Gerar. What did Isaac do that revealed a faltering faith?

Can you give an example of a time you faltered in your faith?

How did it affect your relationship with God?

Can you think of an example of God bailing you out when you failed to be faithful to Him? What happened?

4. Read Genesis 26:12-17. What happened to Isaac?

Have you, or are you, facing any obstacles or hardships that keep you from prospering? Explain.

Have you seen God's blessings through those obstacles or hardship?