Oct 27/24 - Small Group Questions

Genesis 28 / 32 "The Means of Our Hearts' Turning"

Read Genesis 28: 10-22

- 1. What events in Jacob's life have brought him to this place?
- 2. What is the meaning of what Jacob sees and hears?
- 3. What does Jacob's response reveal about the state of his heart?
- 4. How does encountering God's goodness, grace, and love reveal to us who we truly are?

Read Genesis 32: 9-12

5. God calls Jacob to return home. As he prepares to meet his brother, the brother who vowed to kill him, he prays. What do we learn about the state of his heart from his prayer? How has grace already done its work?

Read Genesis 32: 22-32

6. How does God meet Jacob? What do you think would be the impact of this encounter on Jacob?

Read Genesis 33:1-5

7. How does Jacob's encounter with God get reflected in this reunion with Esau? To what impact?

Read John 1:43-51

- 8. What do we learn about Jesus in his linking himself with Jacob's dream?
- 9. In the sermon Tim reflected that God's dealings with Jacob reveal to us the means by which our hearts are turned toward God that we might reflect his goodness and glory bringing life. A restoration of what we were created for a covenant of vocation. What have you learned about the means of God's turning our hearts? Where does it invite you to press in?