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As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. Genesis 50:20

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:

Parent Signature: _____



Unit 3 • Session 2

JACOB FLED FROM CANAAN

Genesis 28; 32

**WHO IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING?
GOD IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH.
NOTHING IS OUTSIDE OF GOD'S GOOD PLAN.**

After Jacob stole his brother Esau's blessing, Esau was so angry that Jacob had to leave home. Jacob's father Isaac sent him away to find a wife from among Abraham's people. He stopped to sleep for the night. Jacob had a dream. In the dream, a stairway was set on the ground, and its top reached the sky. The LORD said, "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your children the land on which you are lying. Your descendants will spread out in every direction, and all peoples on earth will be blessed through your family."

Jacob woke and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place!" Then Jacob said, "If God gives me what I need, then the LORD will be my God."

Jacob got married and had a family. Jacob took his family and all his possessions and headed home to Canaan. That night, a man appeared to Jacob. The man wrestled with Jacob all night. Jacob refused to give up, so the man injured Jacob's hip.

"I will not let You go unless You bless me," Jacob said. "Your name will no longer be Jacob," the man said. "Your name will be Israel because you wrestled with God and men, and you have won." The man blessed Jacob. Now Jacob went to meet Esau. Esau ran to Jacob and hugged him. He was not angry anymore. Jacob was finally home in the land God had promised him.

Christ Connection: God changed Jacob and gave him a new name, Israel. Jesus came so that we might have a changed life, forgiven of sin. Jesus' death and resurrection provided sinful people the way to be welcomed into God's family forever.

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