



Week 3

What goes around...

Takeaway:

You Reap What you Sow

Before You Begin:

What's the best (or scariest) roller coaster you've ever ridden?

Discussion Questions:

1. **Read Genesis 29:1-14.** Why is Jacob so happy to find Rachel?
2. **Read Genesis 29:15-20.** Again, Jacob makes a deal. Does 7 years of labor seem like a large wage to pay? Why is Jacob willing?
3. Have you ever wanted something so badly that you would do anything to get it? Explain.
4. **Read Genesis 29:21-25.** Why do you think that Jacob didn't recognize Leah? How do you think he felt when he woke up next to someone other than Rachel?
5. Have you ever been tricked? Explain. How did you feel? How did you respond?
6. If you had been Jacob, what would you have done in these circumstances?
7. **Read Genesis 29:26-27.** How would you have responded to Laban's terms?
8. **Read Genesis 29:28-30.** There is a biblical saying, "You reap what you sow." My Grandpa used to say, "What goes around comes around." Do you think its fair that Jacob gets treated this way? Do you think Jacob may have learned his lesson?
9. Have you ever reaped the consequences of your less than ideal actions? Explain. How have you learned from this experience?
10. How can you learn from Jacob's experience?

Next Steps:

1. What are you sowing in your current relationships? Are you willing to reap the benefits/consequences of your current actions?
2. What steps do you need to take in order to sow good rather than harm?