

The Return to Bethel, The Return to Grace

Genesis 35:1-15

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Big Idea: God graciously loves His people.

I. God pursues us in our sin (vv. 1-4)

Exodus 34:6-7a | 6 The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7 keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin,

Mark 1:14-15 | 14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

- Remember and rejoice in God's faithfulness
- Repent from sin and idols
- Trust in God's kindness

II. God preserves us in His redemptive plan (vv. 5-15)

- Trust God in the dark days
- You are a part of God's redemptive plan: share the Gospel

Benediction

Philippians 1:6 | And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.