

Weekend Message Questions
Mother's Day 2026
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CHECK-IN:

- What's something you used to compare yourself to others about growing up?
- What is one thing in your life right now that you're genuinely grateful for?

READ: Genesis 29:16–31

DISCUSS:

- Rachel and Leah each longed deeply for something they didn't have. Which longing in their story do you relate to most right now: wanting to be loved, wanting fulfillment, or feeling unseen?
- Comparison often convinces us that someone else's blessing means there's less available for us. Where have you seen comparison steal joy, peace, or contentment in your life?

READ: Genesis 29:31–35

DISCUSS:

- Leah kept hoping Jacob's affection would finally satisfy her deepest need. What are some "dead end streets" people commonly go back to looking for approval, worth, or identity?
- Leah's perspective shifted when she stopped focusing on Jacob's validation and turned toward praise. What do you think helped create that shift in her heart?

READ: Genesis 30:22 and Luke 23:42–43

DISCUSS:

- Rachel experienced a long season of waiting before "God remembered" her. How have seasons of waiting shaped or stretched your faith?
- The phrase "God remembered" points to God acting on love He never stopped having. How does that change the way you think about silence, delay, or unanswered prayers?

READ: John 4:13–14 and John 10:10

DISCUSS:

- Jesus offers both love that cannot be lost and life that cannot be taken away. Why do you think we still tend to search for those things elsewhere?
- What would it look like practically for you to bring your longings to Jesus this week instead of comparison, striving, or control?

APPLY

- This week, take time to honestly identify one “dead end street” you keep returning to for validation, fulfillment, or approval. Spend intentional time in prayer surrendering that longing to Jesus and thanking Him for the ways He is already present and faithful in your story.

PRAYER TIME

Share prayer requests related to:

- seasons of waiting
- comparison or insecurity
- feeling unseen or forgotten
- healing in family relationships
- trusting God with unmet longings

Pray that God would help each person shift their focus from comparison to praise and experience the fullness of life and love found in Jesus.

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