

Summer Bible Challenge

Each week choose one activity from your age group to complete. Share pictures/video of it on our church face book page or tag [presbyelkhart](#) on Instagram.

July 12 – Jacob & Esau (Genesis 25:19-34)

Preschool – early elementary:

- Ask your mom, grandma, or another adult who has had a baby to tell you what it felt like to have a baby moving around inside her tummy.
- Think of ways you can be kind to your brother or sister, or a close friend instead of fighting when you disagree.
- Make a picture of Esau and Jacob as babies and another picture of them as big kids.

Upper elementary/Middle school:

- Ask your parents about where they came in the birth order in their families. (Oldest, middle, youngest?) Ask them to tell you about what it was like to get along with their brother/sister. Did they have it better or worse because of the order they were born in? What about you?
- Make a comic strip/graphic novel version of this week's scripture passage.

High school:

- Ask your parents about where they came in the birth order in their families. (Oldest, middle, youngest?) Ask them to tell you about what it was like to get along with their brother/sister. Did they have it better or worse because of the order they were born in? What about you?
- Ask your parents or grandparents to tell you about any plans they have made for when they die (yeah, it could be awkward, but this is actually a really important conversation to have again and again as you grow older). If they haven't made any plans, ask them to share with you their hopes for your future. Ask them to help you understand their thinking.
- Journal prompt: After reading this week's scripture passage and spending some time in prayer, write or draw about your relationship with your brother(s)/sister(s). Do you ever feel like they get treated better than you (or is it the other way around)? What would you be willing to give up in order to have something your brother or sister (or cousin or close friend) has? How might life be different if that really happened?
- Artistic project: This week's scripture passage is part of a multigenerational family story. It begins with Abraham and Sarah and wraps up with Joseph and his brothers in Egypt. (The entire rest of the summer is about this family.) If you are artistically inclined, plan out and begin (or continue) a project this week, using your preferred art medium, that will show scenes in this longer story. (You might make a set of graphic novel style pages, or a sketch of each story. You could design your own stained glass series or sew something that tells the story.)