## The Blessings of God in Marriage Genesis 24

## Sermon Discussion Questions March 13, 2022

- 1. How do you manage the increased cost of living we're experiencing right now? How can you help others, especially the poor, in this harsh situation?
- 2. Fasting is a spiritual discipline given to us by God for the purpose of relying on God rather than food. Do you regularly engage in fasting? What is a challenge for your fasting? What do you think is the blessing after your regular fasting?
  - Read Matthew 4:2-4. How does fasting highlight our need for God?
- 3. Have you thought about food as a spiritual thing? Read 1 Corinthians 10:31. How can our eating be for the glory of God? Do you struggle with any food addictions (such as the caffeine from coffee) or eating disorders? Encourage one another in your group. If you feel you need more support, please talk to your leader or contact Calvary Care.
- 4. Read Matthew 5:6. Why does Jesus use the physical terms of hunger and thirst for something that we can't literally eat and drink? Does this affect the way you engage with Communion? Since hunger isn't bad in and of itself, how can we "seek hunger" for righteousness?
- 5. As Isaac sinned in showing favoritism to Esau because of his craving of food, do you have any other cravings that take priority in your life? Many times, our cravings are the things that we spend the most money on (or have highest costs). Are there things that you spend money on because they are things you crave (technology, cars, vacations, beauty, sex, etc...) and so incur for yourself a high cost? How can Calvary encourage you, or keep you accountable within your cravings?