

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

September 20, 2020

CONSIDER THE TEXT

- Read Genesis 24:1-9, 62-67.

DISCUSS THE SERMON

1. Why would it be important to Abraham that Isaac not marry a Canaanite? What clues do you get from v. 1-9 to answer that?
2. In what ways does this whole account reveal Abraham's faith in God?
3. How did the servant model a dependence on God? (see v. 12-14, 21, 26-28)
4. Describe the different of ways you see God's providence in the details of the interaction between Abraham's servant, Rebekah, and Laban.

APPLY THE TRUTH

1. If you are trusting in God to providentially work all things according to His plan, how would that be revealed in your daily life? How do you think it would reveal itself if you were uncertain of or doubted God's providence?
2. The story repeatedly uses the word *hesed*, the Hebrew word for God's faithful and steadfast love for His people. In many ways, this story highlights that God is not only committed to fulfill His plan (*providence*), but also to care for His people in the process (*hesed*). How does this truth encourage you?

