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“Family Sin Patterns”

Genesis

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Worship led by Laura Scharer

Music:

Cornerstone	Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)	O The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus
Break Every Chain	I Am Set Free	

Sermon:

Going Back in order to Go Forward

Scripture reminds us that it’s important to think generationally.

As he was approaching the border of Egypt, Abram said to his wife, Sarai, “Look, you are a very beautiful woman. When the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife. Let’s kill him; then we can have her!’ So please tell them you are my sister. Then they will spare my life and treat me well because of their interest in you.”

Genesis 12:11-13

Abraham moved south to the Negev and lived for a while between Kadesh and Shur, and then he moved on to Gerar. While living there as a foreigner, Abraham introduced his wife, Sarah, by saying, “She is my sister.” So King Abimelech of Gerar sent for Sarah and had her brought to him at his palace. But that night God came to Abimelech in a dream and told him, “You are a dead man, for that woman you have taken is already married!”

Genesis 20:1-3

So Isaac stayed in Gerar. When the men who lived there asked Isaac about his wife, Rebekah, he said, “She is my sister.” He was afraid to say, “She is my wife.” He thought, “They will kill me to get her, because she is so beautiful.”

Genesis 26:6-7

Our journey towards a deeper life with Christ involves identifying and dealing with sinful patterns from our family of origin.

The Soul Work: We Identify the Patterns—this is Self-Awareness

Ignorance to these generational patterns is costly to us.

How was conflict handled in your extended family over two to three generations? Anger?
Gender Roles?

Were there any family “secrets” (such as a pregnancy out of wedlock, incest, or major financial scandal)?

Were there any heroes or heroines in the family? Favorites? Scapegoats? “Losers”? Why?

The Spirit Work: We Admit & Break the Family Sin Pattern

Our past—our family of origin doesn’t determine our future

Your ultimate origin is a loving Father God who loves you. He is near and went to great lengths to provide freedom and renewal for your soul.

What is one family sin pattern that has become evident to you in the past month or weeks or even today?

Breaking the Family Sin Pattern:

1. Admit it is there and has had an effect on you.
2. Forgive your family for where they have failed.
3. With the authority you have in Jesus, break the power of that family sin pattern.
4. Release blessing—invite the opposite spirit.

[Genogram Questions Handout](#)